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Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories	Area— Square Miles	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aboriginals).						Capital Cities, 31st Dec. 1927. ^a	
		Census—4th April 1921.			Estimated, 30th September, 1928.				
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.		
N.S.W. . .	309,432	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	1,242,918	1,194,359	2,437,277	1,101,190	
Victoria . .	87,884	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	872,243	882,858	1,755,101	975,160	
Q'land . .	670,500	398,969	357,003	755,972	484,355	430,116	914,471	295,430	
S. Aust. . .	380,070	248,267	246,893	495,160	298,878	278,868	577,746	327,686	
W. Aust.	975,920	177,278	155,454	332,732	218,489	184,427	402,916	191,791	
Tasmania . .	26,215	107,743	106,037	213,780	104,410	106,038	210,448	56,193	
N. Ter. . .	523,620	2,821	1,046	3,867	2,899	1,275	4,174	..	
Fed. Cap. Territory	940	1,567	1,005	2,572	4,720	3,600	8,320	..	
Total	2,974,581	2,762,870	2,672,864	5,435,734	3,228,912	3,081,541	6,310,453	2,947,450	

(a) The areas embraced in each case were Sydney, 118,299 acres; Melbourne, 165,666 acres; Brisbane, 246,400 acres; Adelaide, 137,716 acres; Perth, 87,563 acres; and Hobart, 54,890 acres.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas- mania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Ter. Cap. ^a	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,087
1923	2,209,445	1,625,380	811,168	524,748	353,815	219,074	3,555	2,622	5,749,803
1924	2,254,450	1,657,095	834,894	538,506	364,124	217,839	3,597	2,998	5,873,504
1925	2,298,442	1,684,017	861,185	551,633	372,183	217,032	3,656	3,936	5,992,084
1926	2,347,781	1,711,827	882,193	566,394	378,746	214,754	3,898	4,921	6,110,514
1927	2,400,266	1,741,390	899,176	575,771	392,292	215,862	4,361	5,736	6,234,853

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas- mania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Ter. Cap. ^a	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1923	2,190,410	1,607,773	802,748	517,445	348,275	215,327	3,610	3,315	5,688,903
1924	2,228,337	1,641,852	825,151	529,691	359,521	214,687	3,603	3,848	5,806,690
1925	2,274,247	1,671,467	851,419	543,986	368,194	213,469	3,681	4,721	5,931,184
1926	2,320,288	1,696,670	875,187	558,883	374,996	211,216	3,765	6,106	6,047,111
1927	2,372,643	1,727,413	891,908	571,098	385,011	209,994	4,234	7,342	6,169,643

(a) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	First nine months of—	
						1927.	1928.

NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

New South Wales ..	33,021	32,870	33,793	30,957	31,090	23,064	24,530
Victoria ..	18,658	19,637	20,085	19,027	18,301	13,721	13,272
Queensland ..	12,089	12,381	12,738	11,550	11,755	8,818	8,951
South Australia ..	6,731	6,722	6,478	6,606	6,364	4,930	4,856
Western Australia ..	4,924	5,038	4,870	4,951	5,089	3,825	3,863
Tasmania ..	3,520	3,260	3,222	3,076	2,800	2,030	1,937
Northern Territory ..	34	13	3	9	— 8	— 6	12
Fed. Cap. Territory	9	26	35	34	25	32	65
Total ..	78,986	79,947	81,224	76,210	75,416	56,414	57,486

NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

New South Wales ..	3,492	12,135	10,199	18,382	21,395	14,459	12,481
Victoria ..	16,497	12,078	6,837	8,783	11,262	9,070	439
Queensland ..	10,789	11,345	13,553	9,458	5,228	6,408	6,344
South Australia ..	4,823	7,036	6,649	8,155	3,013	1,723	—2,881
Western Australia ..	5,283	5,271	3,189	1,612	8,457	5,712	6,761
Tasmania ..	— 3,370	— 4,495	— 4,029	— 5,354	— 1,692	— 9,075	— 7,351
Northern Territory ..	— 30	29	56	233	471	529	— 199
Fed. Cap. Territory	56	350	903	951	790	3,236	2,519
Total ..	37,540	43,749	37,357	42,220	48,924	32,062	18,113

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Deaths over Births, and Emigration over Immigration.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

New South Wales ..	36,513	45,005	43,992	49,339	52,485	37,523	37,011
Victoria ..	35,155	31,715	26,922	27,810	29,563	22,791	13,711
Queensland ..	22,878	23,726	26,291	21,008	16,983	15,226	15,295
South Australia ..	11,554	13,758	13,127	14,761	9,377	6,653	1,975
Western Australia ..	10,207	10,309	8,059	6,563	13,546	9,537	10,624
Tasmania ..	150	— 1,235	— 807	— 2,278	1,108	— 7,045	— 5,414
Northern Territory ..	4	42	59	242	463	523	— 187
Fed. Cap. Territory	65	376	938	985	815	3,268	2,584
Total ..	116,526	123,696	118,581	118,430	124,340	88,476	75,599

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

QUARTER ENDED 30th September, 1928.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
New South Wales	7,113	6,538	13,651	3,439	2,704	6,143	4,565
Victoria..	4,457	4,259	8,716	2,506	2,229	4,735	3,148
Queensland ..	2,572	2,360	4,932	1,252	899	2,151	1,409
South Australia ..	1,449	1,407	2,856	735	603	1,338	921
Western Australia	1,080	1,103	2,183	565	376	941	731
Tasmania ..	632	575	1,207	315	278	593	326
Northern Territory	10	6	16	15	1	16	4
Fed. Cap. Territory	18	15	33	6	5	11	5
Total ..	17,331	16,263	33,594	8,833	7,095	15,928	11,109

BIRTHS—NUMBER 1923 TO 1928.

States and Territories.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	First Nine months of—	
						1927.	1928.
New South Wales	54,069	53,705	54,615	53,116	53,839	40,283	41,166
Victoria..	35,877	36,140	35,922	35,362	35,074	26,515	26,270
Queensland ..	19,982	19,708	20,283	19,764	19,833	15,059	14,927
South Australia ..	11,692	11,592	11,457	11,483	11,492	8,773	8,641
Western Australia	7,854	8,301	8,185	8,301	8,482	6,414	6,562
Tasmania ..	5,657	5,383	5,218	4,988	4,833	3,555	3,487
Northern Territory	72	57	65	73	68	47	61
Fed. Cap. Territory	19	41	47	75	77	65	98
Total ..	135,222	134,927	135,792	133,162	133,698	100,711	101,212

BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	24.68	24.11	24.01	22.89	22.69	(a)	(a)
Victoria..	22.31	22.01	21.49	20.84	20.30	20.51	22.69
Queensland ..	24.89	23.87	23.82	22.58	22.24	22.56	20.03
South Australia ..	22.60	21.88	21.06	20.55	20.12	20.52	19.97
Western Australia	22.55	23.09	22.23	22.14	22.03	22.31	22.00
Tasmania ..	26.27	25.07	24.24	23.62	23.01	22.59	21.96
Northern Territory	19.94	15.82	17.66	19.39	16.06	15.04	19.15
Fed. Cap. Territory	5.73	10.65	9.96	12.28	10.49	11.96	16.53
Total ..	23.77	23.24	22.89	22.02	21.67	21.82	21.51

(a) Equivalent Annual Rate.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	First nine months of—
						1927.
						1928.

DEATHS—NUMBER, 1923 TO 1928.

New South Wales	21,048	20,835	20,822	22,159	22,749	17,219	16,636
Victoria.. .	17,219	16,503	15,837	16,335	16,773	12,794	12,998
Queensland ..	7,893	7,327	7,545	8,214	8,078	6,241	5,976
South Australia ..	4,961	4,870	4,979	4,877	5,128	3,843	3,785
Western Australia	2,930	3,263	3,315	3,350	3,393	2,589	2,699
Tasmania ..	2,137	2,123	1,996	1,912	2,033	1,525	1,550
Northern Territory	38	44	62	64	76	53	49
Fed. Cap. Territory	10	15	12	41	52	33	33
Total ..	56,236	54,980	54,568	56,952	58,282	44,297	43,726

DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

						(a)	(a)
New South Wales	9.61	9.35	9.16	9.55	9.59	9.70	9.17
Victoria.. .	10.71	10.05	9.47	9.63	9.71	9.90	9.91
Queensland ..	9.83	8.87	8.86	9.39	9.06	9.35	8.78
South Australia ..	9.59	9.19	9.15	8.73	8.98	8.99	8.75
Western Australia	8.41	9.08	9.00	8.93	8.81	9.01	9.05
Tasmania ..	9.92	9.89	9.35	9.05	9.68	9.69	9.76
Northern Territory	10.53	12.21	16.84	17.00	17.95	16.95	15.38
Fed. Cap. Territory	3.02	3.90	2.54	6.71	7.08	6.07	5.57
Total ..	9.89	9.47	9.20	9.42	9.45	9.73	9.29

(a) Equivalent Annual Rate.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER, 1923 TO 1928.

New South Wales	17,523	18,072	18,522	19,219	20,052	14,779	14,760
Victoria.. .	13,126	13,296	13,370	13,405	13,608	9,987	9,834
Queensland ..	5,814	6,234	6,471	6,428	6,277	4,664	4,615
South Australia ..	4,099	4,121	4,255	4,503	4,501	3,304	3,088
Western Australia	2,376	2,596	2,746	2,844	3,108	2,263	2,483
Tasmania ..	1,592	1,529	1,504	1,435	1,432	1,044	1,107
Northern Territory	7	17	20	14	26	21	14
Fed. Cap. Territory	4	4	11	17	29	20	22
Total ..	44,541	45,869	46,899	47,865	49,033	36,082	35,923

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—continued.

States and Territories.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	First nine months of—	
						1927.	1928.

MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	8.00	8.11	8.14	8.28	8.45	(a)	(a)
	Victoria	8.16	8.10	8.00	7.90	7.88	7.73
Queensland ..	7.24	7.55	7.60	7.34	7.04	6.99	6.78
South Australia ..	7.92	7.78	7.82	8.06	7.88	7.73	7.13
Western Australia ..	6.82	7.22	7.46	7.58	8.07	7.87	8.32
Tasmania ..	7.93	7.12	7.05	6.79	6.82	6.63	6.97
Northern Territory	1.94	4.72	5.43	3.72	6.14	6.72	4.39
Fed. Cap. Territory	1.21	1.04	2.33	2.78	3.95	3.68	3.71
Total ..	7.83	7.90	7.91	7.92	7.95	7.82	7.64

(a) Equivalent Annual Rate.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE, 1923 TO 1928.

New South Wales..	3,277	3,165	3,001	3,060	2,958	2,224	2,288
	Victoria ..	2,356	2,216	2,047	1,969	1,966	1,560
Queensland ..	1,078	1,011	917	1,001	1,080	848	672
South Australia ..	705	595	528	509	614	454	422
Western Australia ..	442	414	463	409	389	309	323
Tasmania ..	325	296	288	233	256	189	224
Northern Territory ..	1	2	2	5	7	4	4
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	2	5	4	13	11	11	14
Total ..	8,184	7,701	7,251	7,190	7,283	5,599	5,477

INFANTILE MORALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales..	60.68	58.93	54.95	57.61	54.94	55.21	55.58
	Victoria ..	65.70	61.32	56.98	55.68	56.05	58.83
Queensland ..	53.95	51.30	45.21	50.65	54.45	56.31	45.02
South Australia ..	60.30	51.33	46.09	44.33	53.43	51.75	48.84
Western Australia ..	56.02	49.87	56.57	49.27	45.86	48.18	49.22
Tasmania ..	57.45	54.99	55.19	46.71	52.97	53.16	64.24
Northern Territory ..	13.89	35.09	30.77	68. 9	102.94	85.11	65.57
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	48.78	106.38	53.33	168.83	169.23	142.86	
Total ..	60.52	57.08	53.40	53.99	54.47	55.59	54.11

ESTIMATED MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA, 1922 to 1928.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (a) over (b)
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (a)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (b)	
1922 ..	58,057	35,456	93,513	31,660	23,830	55,490	38,023
1923 ..	56,415	36,444	92,859	30,317	25,002	55,319	37,540
1924 ..	62,400	41,267	103,667	33,551	26,367	59,918	43,749
1925 ..	59,602	40,473	100,075	34,543	28,175	62,718	37,357
1926 ..	62,743	45,181	107,924	36,512	29,192	65,704	42,220
1927 ..	69,540	47,883	117,423	38,320	30,179	68,499	48,924
1928 ..	55,921	43,871	99,792	40,216	32,344	72,560	27,232

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed during the Years 1927 and 1928.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1927.	1928.	1927.	1928.
European Race—				
British	93,382	82,256	54,805	58,565
Danish	206	165	115	137
Dutch	199	194	155	192
Finnish	173	172	28	44
French	751	674	749	668
German	819	711	326	426
Greek	1,593	854	350	450
Italian	7,884	3,163	1,384	1,811
Jugo-Slav	1,432	803	367	414
Maltese (British)	513	245	213	199
Norwegian	125	99	56	58
Swedish	116	88	67	62
Russian	371	387	97	147
Swiss	364	226	121	145
United States	1,884	2,053	1,748	1,889
Others of European Race	2,246	2,246	365	458
Total, European Race	112,058	94,336	60,946	65,665
Non-European—				
Afghans	7	..	..	2
Armenians	3	3	5	4
Chinese	3,458	3,307	4,107	3,462
Filipinos	12	34	10	35
Japanese	296	390	529	339
Malays	18	83	47	30
Natives of East Indies	117	122	335	249
Natives of India and Ceylon ..	529	547	398	358
Siamese	7	7	8	9
Syrians	222	142	36	44
Other Asiatics	272	274	32	58
Negroes, African	1	2	..	..
" American	6	18	1	6
Papuans	292	303	248	360
Polynesians, Melanesians	113	198	108	134
Other Non-European Races	12	26	10	13
Total, Non-European Races	5,365	5,456	5,874	5,103
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	1,679	1,792
TOTAL, ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES ..	117,423	99,792	68,499	72,560

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed during the Years 1927 and 1928.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1927.	1928.	1927.	1928.
Great Britain	50,900	40,931	17,577	19,439
Canada	2,550	2,395	1,956	1,762
Fiji	1,615	1,972	1,607	2,011
Hong Kong	3,142	2,878	3,428	3,166
India and Ceylon	2,734	2,874	2,438	2,270
New Zealand	28,142	26,529	23,049	23,576
Norfolk Island	240	201	229	337
Papua	991	1,158	1,000	1,115
Solomon Islands	523	583	525	592
South African Union	1,699	1,393	1,750	1,924
Straits Settlements	1,545	1,498	2,057	2,082
Territory of New Guinea	1,181	1,208	1,271	1,289
Other British Possessions	401	449	293	449
Total, British Countries	95,663	84,069	57,180	60,012
Egypt	2,858	2,222	616	756
France	3,566	3,140	1,885	2,053
Germany	432	440	129	171
Italy	9,762	4,369	1,989	2,502
Japan	558	599	437	528
Netherlands East Indies	695	1,034	716	921
New Caledonia	601	566	460	417
Philippine Islands	148	186	101	189
South Sea Islands	289	287	502	324
United States	1,979	1,992	2,092	2,023
Other Foreign Countries	872	888	713	872
Total, Foreign Countries	21,760	15,723	9,640	10,756
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	1,679	1,792
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES	117,423	99,792	68,499	72,560

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 TO 1927-28.

AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total area under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
1922-23 ..	9,763,861	1,014,376	313,202	3,338,456	216,886	16,572,250
1923-24 ..	9,540,434	1,076,930	316,307	3,406,226	237,280	16,531,186
1924-25 ..	10,824,966	1,165,127	398,949	3,026,405	273,512	17,278,191
1925-26 ..	10,201,276	1,013,233	297,140	2,832,003	288,872	16,793,578
1926-27 ..	11,687,919	844,114	286,178	2,699,631	284,828	17,772,499
1927-28 ..	12,249,052	1,116,092		2,623,261	294,400	

TOTAL YIELD.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar. (a)
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
1922-23 ..	109,454,842	14,982,155	7,388,314	4,148,989	2,315,982	306,365
1923-24 ..	124,993,271	17,303,325	8,114,733	4,051,934	2,177,892	286,004
1924-25 ..	164,558,734	19,393,737	12,432,037	4,068,419	3,400,319	435,818
1925-26 ..	114,504,392	12,211,657	7,431,561	2,977,945	3,965,587	517,970
1926-27 ..	160,761,886	12,571,203	6,970,273	3,487,352	3,155,916	415,876
1927-28 ..	116,743,666	12,525,544		2,719,886	3,810,000	516,000

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons. (b)	Tons. (b)
	1922-23 ..	11.21	14.77	23.59	1.24	15.78
1923-24 ..	13.10	16.07	25.65	1.19	14.97	1.97
1924-25 ..	15.20	16.65	31.16	1.34	19.38	2.48
1925-26 ..	11.22	12.05	25.01	1.05	19.99	2.61
1926-27 ..	13.75	14.89	24.36	1.29	15.87	2.09
1927-28 ..	9.53	11.22		1.04	17.80	2.41

(a) Estimated production 1928, 545,000 tons. (b) Per acre of productive cane.

AREA UNDER WHEAT, 1923-24 TO 1928-29.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1923-24	2,945,040	2,454,117	51,149	2,418,415	1,656,915	14,503	295	9,540,434
1924-25	3,549,367	2,705,323	189,145	2,499,852	1,867,614	12,954	711	10,824,966
1925-26	2,924,745	2,513,494	165,999	2,465,648	2,112,032	19,091	267	10,201,276
1926-27	3,352,298	2,915,315	57,084	2,768,403	2,571,187	23,194	438	11,687,919
1927-28	3,006,770	3,064,172	215,073	2,941,360	2,998,523	28,000	..	12,253,898
1928-29a	4,072,600	3,800,000	200,000	3,317,500	3,163,409	30,000	..	14,583,509

TOTAL YIELD OF WHEAT, 1923-24 TO 1928-29.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1923-24	33,171,300	37,795,704	243,713	34,551,955	18,920,271	305,628	4,700	124,993,271
1924-25	59,752,435	47,364,495	2,779,829	30,528,625	23,887,397	231,388	14,565	164,558,734
1925-26	33,800,619	29,255,534	1,973,477	28,603,101	20,471,177	395,603	4,881	114,504,392
1926-27	47,373,713	46,886,020	379,339	35,558,711	30,021,616	537,000	5,487	160,761,886
1927-28	26,927,100	26,160,814	3,783,584	24,066,012	36,370,219	672,000	..	117,979,729
1928-29a	49,798,200	47,000,000	3,000,000	28,070,000	31,906,693	700,000	..	160,474,893

(a) Final estimate.

Principal Crops—Australia, 1922-23 to 1927-28—*continued.*

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE, 1923-24 TO 1928-29.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1923-24	11.26	15.40	4.76	14.29	11.42	21.07	15.93	13.10
1924-25	16.83	17.51	14.70	12.21	12.79	17.86	20.49	15.20
1925-26	11.56	11.64	11.89	11.60	9.69	20.72	18.28	11.22
1926-27	14.13	16.08	6.65	12.84	11.68	23.15	12.53	13.75
1927-28	8.96	8.54	17.59	8.18	12.13	24.00	..	9.63
1928-29a	12.23	12.37	15.00	8.46	10.09	23.33	..	11.00

(a) Final estimate.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK, 1922 TO 1927.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. a	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter. a	Total.
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SHEEP.

1922	38,605,391	11,765,520	17,641,071	a6,305,133	6,664,135	1,558,494	6,161	154,609	82,700,514
1923	41,293,843	11,059,761	16,756,101	a6,596,875	6,595,587	1,557,716	4,728	146,157	84,011,048
1924	46,934,210	12,649,898	19,028,252	6,359,240	6,396,564	1,614,085	6,914	165,790	93,154,953
1925	53,687,749	13,740,500	20,663,323	6,810,495	6,861,795	1,619,075	8,030	172,251	103,563,218
1926	55,705,923	14,919,653	16,860,772	7,283,945	6,458,766	1,807,558	6,407	224,077	104,267,101
1927	c48,920,000	15,557,067	16,642,385	7,542,345	8,447,480	1,904,955	c6,000	(b)	c99,020,232

CATTLE.

1922	3,244,905	1,785,660	6,955,463	a425,811	939,596	218,197	760,766	6,275	14,336,673
1923	2,932,437	1,591,367	6,396,514	a413,272	953,764	220,351	843,718	6,085	13,357,508
1924	2,871,196	1,605,554	6,454,653	400,423	891,564	225,740	855,285	5,058	13,309,473
1925	2,931,818	1,513,787	6,436,645	373,597	835,911	212,373	970,342	5,312	13,279,785
1926	2,813,144	1,435,761	5,464,845	340,007	827,303	213,112	863,597	5,509	11,963,278
1927	1,327,077	5,225,804	316,314	846,735	210,894				

HORSES.

1922	658,686	494,947	713,015	a264,150	181,159	37,313	39,845	1,345	2,390,460
1923	656,939	486,075	660,387	a258,489	181,944	37,570	44,603	1,433	2,327,440
1924	646,110	473,236	659,023	255,022	175,116	37,091	45,059	1,393	2,292,050
1925	649,534	463,051	637,436	244,111	170,563	37,785	46,380	1,501	2,250,361
1926	622,009	447,988	570,690	234,352	166,463	36,830	42,801	1,383	2,122,516
1927		428,666	547,412	224,027	165,021	35,872			

PIGS.

1922	340,579	294,962	160,617	a75,520	67,561	46,056	361	274	985,930
1923	322,762	259,795	132,243	a73,414	61,478	47,101	647	434	897,874
1924	339,378	288,509	156,163	80,988	66,375	47,305	1,000	291	980,009
1925	382,331	339,601	199,598	90,794	74,316	41,009	382	343	1,128,374
1926	332,827	284,271	183,662	79,108	69,798	38,906	343	94	989,009
1927		212,785	191,947	69,733	59,810	41,752			

(a) At 30th June, year following.

(b) Included with New South Wales.

(c) Estimates by Government Statisticians at 31st December, 1927.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—1921-22 TO 1927-28.

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. a	Victoria.	Q'land. b	S. Aust.	W. Aust. b	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922..	333,856,000	128,512,777	142,579,738	57,764,173	47,301,039	11,634,624	30,000	721,678,346
1923..	336,899,000	127,467,950	144,971,150	58,698,738	45,139,138	12,218,550	20,000	725,414,526
1924..	303,032,000	107,513,361	131,913,075	57,881,938	49,055,393	11,712,273	20,000	661,128,038
1925..	369,118,000	133,484,871	152,131,544	62,438,953	44,307,052	12,483,452	20,000	773,983,872
1926..	402,490,000	139,076,017	158,744,544	69,007,266	48,547,780	12,564,000	30,000	830,450,607
1927..	499,322,000	151,624,526	129,435,804	72,365,200	59,300,023	12,333,000	30,000	924,410,553
1928(c)	444,590,000	150,000,000	180,000,000	78,369,918	67,313,686	13,000,000	30,000	883,303,604

(a) Including Federal Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Estimated.

NOTE.—In the total figures published above, the discrepancies in the returns of wool by land-holders compared with those obtained by taking exports plus local consumption returns have been eliminated. As the result of exhaustive inquiries in New South Wales and South Australia the statistics for those States have been revised by their respective Statisticians. Pending similar action the figures for the remaining States have been amended provisionally on the data available at the moment.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE, 1922 to 1927-28.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
BUTTER.								
1922 ..	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	73,705,349	84,355,940	53,785,599	14,646,632	2,766,533	5,716,708	18,248	234,995,009
1923 ..	72,666,613	86,888,725	40,659,634	17,244,389	3,005,491	6,183,521	17,480	226,665,853
1924 ..	117,195,871	100,849,382	70,406,492	16,066,694	2,962,630	6,455,746	15,476	313,952,291
1925-26..	106,953,339	81,747,291	63,001,073	13,882,850	2,591,818	5,122,992	14,322	273,313,685
1926-27..	95,832,624	81,995,815	51,402,633	13,416,904	3,829,728	6,032,597	20,758	252,531,059
1927-28(e)	102,618,704	84,270,812	72,039,151	11,214,572	4,265,258	6,000,000	..	280,408,497

CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	5,198,905	3,754,960	10,560,316	3,261,585	212	934,601	..	23,710,559
1923 ..	5,912,656	7,216,936	7,221,355	3,679,552	4,365	1,345,661	..	25,380,525
1924 ..	7,705,596	6,193,135	12,643,863	3,743,628	4,055	1,152,015	..	31,442,292
1925-26..	6,462,535	5,279,009	12,580,942	3,636,278	3,818	836,738	..	28,799,320
1926-27..	6,735,960	5,997,648	9,260,043	3,708,730	(b)5,172	971,644	..	26,679,197
1927-28..	..	5,621,945	14,009,606	(b)5,088				

BACON AND HAM.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	19,234,681	19,278,725	15,130,545	5,002,199	a2,050,220	1,778,015	11,185	62,485,570
1923 ..	19,044,294	22,549,998	16,219,969	5,095,970	a2,420,585	2,271,141	7,815	67,609,772
1924 ..	21,068,976	21,993,869	15,640,561	5,374,457	a2,797,151	2,428,966	7,820	60,311,800
1925-26..	22,949,531	21,213,925	18,328,728	5,600,760	a2,960,139	2,314,756	8,840	73,374,679
1926-27..	24,600,275	20,952,310	18,288,690	5,165,670	a2,678,830	1,946,323	2,790	73,634,888
1927-28..	..	20,605,148			a2,760,694			

(a) Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States. (b) Cheese made on farms only. (c) Estimated.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED, 1922 to 1927.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. a	Total.
GOLD.								

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922 ..	118,359	501,515	378,154	4,693	2,525,811	16,101	540	3,545,173
1923 ..	83,325	422,105	392,563	4,199	2,232,179	16,300	743	3,151,414
1924 ..	86,905	312,398	459,716	4,093	2,255,932	21,516	3,270	3,143,830
1925 ..	82,498	200,901	197,118	3,535	1,874,320	14,969	1,939	2,375,280
1926 ..	82,551	208,471	43,914	3,219	1,857,716	17,936	594	2,214,401
1927 ..	76,595	163,699	161,321	1,776	1,734,571	20,646	468	2,159,076
1928 ..	54,503	144,068	51,312		1,671,093			b1,938,476

SILVER AND LEAD.

	1,080	216,645	60	60,061	218,881	..	3,014,301
1922 ..	2,574,108	963	167,469	373	96,504	252,718	3,453,472
1923 ..	2,956,862	..	240,684	1,655	114,961	302,961	4,828,069
1924 ..	4,310,360	645					5,982,145
1925 ..	5,320,976	291					4,916,055
1926 ..	4,399,953	307	147,724	865	85,604	281,155	447
1927 ..	3,487,980	304	32,102	143	30,421	222,427	379

COPPER.

1922 ..	36,233	..	321,535	73,646	20,379	391,535	798	844,126
1923 ..	82,375	..	430,746	232,172	65,100	435,413	30	1,245,836
1924 ..	71,658	..	380,025	26,046	40,676	457,386	239	976,030
1925 ..	30,215	..	254,074	35,878	18,200	436,661	15	775,043
1926 ..	22,473	..	73,591	14,681	84	454,854	60	565,743
1927 ..	12,655	..	218,842	12,452	101	862,988	..	607,038

(a) Year ended 30th June.

(b) Estimated.

PRODUCTION.

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Value of Principal Minerals Produced, 1922 to 1927—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. a	Total.
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TIN.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922 ..	154,698	12,071	99,758	..	10,930	112,407	5,891	395,755
1923 ..	180,789	10,371	114,945	..	15,095	236,955	13,887	572,042
1924 ..	259,485	6,056	175,509	..	12,008	275,014	12,855	740,927
1925 ..	250,944	11,592	161,500	..	15,392	297,515	15,066	752,909
1926 ..	326,474	5,075	174,147	..	10,450	322,526	15,852	854,524
1927 ..	287,539	11,454	193,774	..	13,316	317,593	18,754	842,430

COAL.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922 ..	8,507,946	695,430	840,472	..	381,555	61,016	..	10,486,419
1923 ..	8,607,892	563,289	925,227	..	368,949	70,797	..	10,536,154
1924 ..	9,589,547	610,671	985,542	..	363,255	66,555	..	11,615,570
1925 ..	9,302,515	762,521	1,037,956	..	363,203	70,424	..	11,536,619
1926 ..	9,436,520	846,697	1,098,927	..	394,400	90,401	..	11,866,945
1927 ..	9,782,002	982,533	987,465	..	407,967	99,802	..	12,259,769

ALL MINERALS.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922 ..	12,951,164	1,244,966	1,859,084	331,866	3,041,112	878,009	9,959	20,316,160
1923 ..	14,176,688	1,031,223	2,215,498	890,378	2,747,101	1,154,397	16,612	22,231,897
1924 ..	16,299,835	964,917	2,305,669	953,592	2,776,796	1,325,967	19,138	24,645,914
1925 ..	16,657,585	1,000,706	2,012,456	1,028,396	2,398,896	1,477,872	21,715	24,592,620
1926 ..	16,319,265	1,082,006	1,608,661	1,032,353	2,371,864	1,573,997	19,085	24,007,231
1927 ..	15,451,132	1,176,378	1,645,111	1,188,522	2,202,437	1,409,352	21,716	23,094,648

(a) Year ended 30th June.

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year.	Agricul-tural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufac-turing. a	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1922-23 ..	84,183	97,029	43,542	11,124	20,316	123,188	379,382
1923-24 ..	81,166	110,075	42,112	11,866	22,232	132,732	400,183
1924-25 ..	107,163	126,773	45,190	12,357	24,646	137,977	454,106
1925-26 ..	89,267	113,327	48,278	12,784	24,592	143,256	431,504
1926-27 ..	98,295	111,168	46,980	12,790	24,007	153,634	446,874

(a) These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which are included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid. a	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1922-23	19,173	412,410	71,133,152	160,463,218	186,082,663	131,754,858	326,497,136
1923-24	20,189	420,990	77,278,265	182,114,600	197,038,726	141,242,417	348,577,583
1924-25b	20,795	439,949	81,360,021	200,484,807	221,993,978	147,136,758	380,843,986
1925-26	21,242	450,920	86,724,683	208,813,782	231,834,908	155,424,259	400,342,393
1926-27	21,579	467,247	90,575,166	220,092,363	232,643,518	162,325,273	408,692,838

(a) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(b) All States are for year ended 30th June, with the exception of Western Australia, where change was made in 1925-26.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES—1924-25 to 1926-27

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1924-25. (c).							
1. Factories .. . No.	7,906	7,425	1,890	1,711	1,188	675	20,795
2. Hands employed (a) ..	165,760	154,158	48,922	38,353	21,758	10,998	439,949
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	31,520,849	27,444,141	9,228,454	7,150,655	4,127,839	1,888,080	81,380,021
4. Value of fuel used ..	5,883,494	2,964,635	782,384	1,154,905	392,753	535,082	11,713,250
5. " materials used ..	94,681,328	66,290,693	30,726,434	19,409,892	6,993,731	3,891,900	221,993,978
6. " added in process ..	59,044,051	48,922,070	17,633,618	11,570,199	6,542,298	3,415,522	147,136,758
7. " of manufacture ..	159,608,873	118,177,395	49,142,436	32,143,993	13,928,782	7,842,504	380,843,986
7. " of output of fact's ..	41,351,080	28,468,160	16,873,600	6,882,119	4,562,184	2,104,704	91,241,907
9. " plant & mchinery ..	43,553,900	32,563,815	14,002,476	7,529,854	4,864,253	6,728,602	109,242,900
1925-26. (d).							
1. Factories .. . No.	8,196	7,461	1,897	1,791	1,170	727	21,246
2. Hands employed (a) ..	174,101	152,959	50,496	40,051	22,142	11,171	450,928
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	33,566,546	27,857,753	9,544,115	7,787,912	6,288,036	1,880,321	86,724,682
4. Value of fuel used ..	6,256,725	3,156,382	1,134,530	1,332,914	701,008	501,667	13,083,220
5. " materials used ..	98,863,051	68,788,141	27,885,361	21,430,234	11,137,678	3,725,443	231,834,903
6. " added in process ..	64,838,370	48,041,916	16,880,777	12,673,999	9,611,113	3,378,084	155,424,259
7. " of manufacture ..	169,963,146	119,986,439	45,900,668	35,437,147	21,449,799	7,605,194	400,342,393
8. " land & buildings ..	43,954,312	29,847,370	8,155,604	7,520,625	4,855,161	2,202,560	96,535,632
9. " plant & mchinery ..	45,994,534	30,549,130	15,226,566	8,322,025	5,480,905	6,704,990	112,278,150
1926-27.							
1. Factories .. . No.	8,222	7,690	1,877	1,807	1,216	767	21,579
2. Hands employed (a) ..	183,193	161,639	48,133	42,164	20,424	11,694	467,247
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	37,092,196	29,889,557	9,298,370	8,390,603	3,922,923	1,981,517	90,575,166
4. Value of fuel used ..	6,919,014	3,392,448	990,618	1,384,937	549,796	487,234	13,724,047
5. " material used ..	102,534,388	71,102,047	25,067,489	21,848,126	8,067,569	4,023,899	232,643,518
6. " added in process ..	69,849,044	52,903,456	15,269,660	13,655,406	7,054,295	3,593,412	162,325,273
7. " of manufacture ..	179,302,446	127,397,951	41,327,767	36,888,469	15,671,660	8,104,545	408,622,838
7. " of output of fact's ..	46,950,706	32,269,655	8,645,580	8,207,099	4,822,145	2,449,093	103,345,178
9. " plant & mchinery ..	48,659,375	31,580,350	16,043,679	8,719,929	5,310,140	6,411,712	116,747,185

(a) Includes working proprietors. (b) Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.

(c) See note (b) previous table.

(d) Western Australia for 18 months ended 30th June, 1926.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED BY PROCESSES
OF MANUFACTURE—AUSTRALIA, 1923-24 to 1926-27.

Industries.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, etc., pursuits ..	3,623,188	3,322,380	3,499,129	3,604,519
Treating oils and fats	1,611,537	1,795,164	2,003,918	1,821,323
Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc. ..	7,754,077	7,749,672	8,051,315	8,715,364
Working in wood	10,952,763	11,032,981	11,433,348	10,310,969
Metal works, machinery, etc. ..	29,040,790	30,504,947	33,612,075	35,268,116
Connected with food and drink, etc. ..	28,457,131	30,494,303	31,738,018	31,750,752
Clothing and textile fabrics, etc. ..	20,403,850	20,718,166	22,125,994	24,468,131
Books, paper, printing, and engraving ..	11,589,352	10,728,551	11,404,724	11,921,841
Musical instruments, etc.	452,444	510,306	535,482	762,113
Arms and explosives	278,961	292,259	302,974	325,208
Vehicles and fittings, saddlery, harness, etc. ..	6,218,904	7,102,020	6,907,512	7,649,081
Ship and boat building and repairing ..	1,631,282	1,656,160	1,720,659	1,745,490
Furniture, bedding, and upholstery ..	3,926,325	4,212,392	4,446,370	4,978,719
Drugs, chemicals, and by-products ..	3,648,180	4,181,364	4,624,317	4,815,113
Surgical and other scientific instruments ..	185,204	216,325	219,277	234,238
Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware ..	676,564	713,874	709,394	685,506
Heat, light, and power	8,970,407	9,917,116	9,441,020	9,979,441
Leatherware, n.e.i.	639,938	589,602	629,168	3,027,046
Minor wares, n.e.i.	1,181,520	1,399,176	2,019,565	262,303
	141,242,417	147,136,758	155,424,259	162,325,273

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1926-27.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Wages(a) ..	% 20.69	% 23.46	% 22.50	% 22.75	% 25.03	% 24.45	% 22.16
Fuel and Light ..	3.86	2.66	2.40	3.75	3.51	6.01	3.36
Materials used ..	57.18	55.81	60.65	59.23	51.48	49.65	56.92
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses & charges	18.27	18.07	14.45	14.27	19.98	19.89	17.56
Total output ..	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on added value(b)	53.10	56.50	60.89	61.45	55.61	55.14	55.80

(a) Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.

(b) By "added value" is meant the amount by which the value of raw materials has been enhanced by those processes of manufacture to which the wages relate.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee(a) 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1922-23 ..	£ 184.44	£ 175.79	£ 178.16	£ 178.83	£ 189.32	£ 167.23	£ 179.92
1923-24 ..	194.08	184.80	179.21	188.17	190.22	163.60	187.61
1924-25(b) ..	198.21	186.82	193.96	193.54	196.03	178.57	192.78
1925-26 ..	201.04	189.82	194.37	201.84	196.92	176.57	195.77
1926-27 ..	210.55	193.70	198.91	206.37	200.29	178.19	201.91

(a) Exclusive of working proprietors.

(b) See note (b) first table of manufacturing (page 13).

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1926-27.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Males ..	138,309	108,969	40,493	34,980	16,799	9,485	349,035
Females ..	44,884	52,670	7,640	7,184	3,625	2,209	118,212
Masculinity(a) ..	51.0	34.8	68.3	65.9	64.5	62.2	49.4

(a) Excess of Males over Females per 100 of both sexes combined.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA, 1923-24 to 1928-29.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1923-24 ..	4,258,930	652,206	4,911,136	4,654,550	357,128	5,011,678
1924-25 ..	4,437,903	1,158,497	5,596,400	5,235,786	368,333	5,604,119
1925-26 ..	4,729,084	574,721	5,303,805	4,847,264	517,620	5,364,884
1926-27 ..	4,898,874	660,001	5,558,875	5,028,051	577,049	5,605,100
1927-28 ..	4,992,965	426,080	5,419,045	4,786,907	722,611	5,509,518
1927-28 (3 mts.)	1,326,241	107,360	1,433,601	1,158,495	198,557	1,357,052
1928-29 (3 mts.)	1,192,819	74,379	1,267,198	927,973	165,225	1,093,198

**OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and shipped,
States, 1923-24 to 1927-28.**

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

State or Territory.	Discharged.			Shipped.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1927-28.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,712,724	2,275,833	3,988,557	3,289,426	1,394,084	4,683,510
Victoria ..	1,951,564	1,797,182	3,748,746	669,916	651,562	1,321,478
Queensland ..	494,186	431,488	925,674	399,470	327,428	726,898
South Australia ..	1,259,015	755,021	2,014,036	1,105,477	1,101,942	2,207,419
Western Aust. ..	236,567	562,980	799,547	142,852	1,040,809	1,183,661
Tasmania ..	428,695	64,903	493,598	616,698	167,908	784,606
Northern Terr... ..	24,960	1,720	26,680	1,249	2,573	3,822
Total ..	6,107,711	5,889,127	11,996,838	6,225,088	4,686,306	10,911,394

1926-27.

N.S. Wales ..	1,768,175	2,196,135	3,964,310	3,713,721	1,925,622	5,639,343
Victoria ..	2,127,243	1,940,057	4,067,300	712,577	1,158,925	1,871,502
Queensland ..	574,841	444,625	1,019,466	359,935	181,890	541,825
South Australia ..	1,518,898	778,727	2,297,625	1,203,865	1,021,218	2,225,083
Western Aust. ..	248,227	545,426	793,653	144,936	855,869	1,000,805
Tasmania ..	425,835	47,954	473,789	659,747	99,469	759,216
Northern Terr... ..	26,027	2,288	28,315	1,375	3,148	4,523
Total ..	6,689,246	5,955,212	12,644,458	6,796,156	5,246,141	12,042,297
Total 1925-26..	5,809,381	5,342,621	11,152,002	5,735,973	5,169,407	10,905,380
" 1924-25..	6,445,319	4,696,112	11,141,431	6,413,975	6,498,098	12,912,073
" 1923-24..	6,373,839	4,377,171	10,751,010	6,358,191	4,981,521	11,339,712

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—							
Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4s. per box.
Butter substitutes ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4d. per lb.
Meats, Potted or Concentrated ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Meat, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—							
Beef ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Mutton ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4d. per lb.
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2d. per lb.
Milk and Cream ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2d. per lb.
All other Animal Foodstuffs ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2d. per lb.
FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—							
Biscuits ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Jams ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Dried Fruits—Currants and Raisins ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50s. per ton measurement.
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator)	..	..	..	..	..	..	3s. 6d. per case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3s. 6d. per case.
Wheat, Unprepared ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40s. Od. per ton weight.
Flour, Wheaten ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42s. 6d. per ton weight.
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC) AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING BEVERAGES (ALCOHOLIC) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
TOBACCO, AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates between Australia and the United Kingdom and
Continent at 31st December, 1928—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—									
Skins, Hides	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb.
Rabbit and Hare	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb.
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2d.	per lb.
Other	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb.
Pearlshell	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb. + 5 % less 10 %
Scoured and Washed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb. + 5 % less 10 %
Tops	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb. net.
All other Animal Substances	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb. + 5 % less 10 %
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—									
Bark, Tanning (Chopped)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton weight.
(Ground)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47s. 3d.	per ton weight.
Copra	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	61s. 3d.	per ton weight.
Sandalwood	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
Fibre	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	78s. 9d.	per ton weight.
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—									
Boots and Shoes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
All other Apparel	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	110s.	per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—									
Oil, Coconut	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70s. 9d.	per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70s. 9d.	per ton weight.
Beeswax	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
Dripping	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ cases	63s.	per ton measurement.
							{ casks	70s. 9d.	per ton weight.
								63s.	per ton measurement.
PAINT AND VARNISHES									
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—									
Wolfram	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32s.	6d. per ton weight.
Zinc, Ashes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40s.	6d. per ton weight.
Dross or Dust	..	..	..	..	..	..	cases	126s.	per ton weight.
Sheets	..	..	..	..	..	..	cases	55s.	per ton weight.
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—									
Rubber Manufactures	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
Leather	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	137s. 9d.	per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—									
Timber, Sawn (under 2 tons weight per piece)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11s.	per 100 super. feet.
Squared or Round (under 2 tons weight per piece)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11s.	per 100 super. feet.
PAPER AND STATIONERY									
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—									
Oil, Eucalyptus	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
MISCELLANEOUS—									
Soap	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63s.	per ton measurement.
SPECIE	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15s.	per cent.

**INTERSTATE AND NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
31st DECEMBER, 1928.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement: 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From—		
	Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane
Sydney
Melbourne
Adelaide
Fremantle
Perth
Hobart
Launceston
Devonport
Burnie
Auckland
Wellington
Lyttelton
Dunedin
New Caledonia
New Hebrides, Papua, Solomon Islands (British), and Territory of New Guinea (Rabaul)
Norfolk Island
		45 0	45 0
	60 0	60 0	84 6
	50 0	50 0	74 6

(a) Plus lighterage, 8s. 6d. per ton measurement, or 9s. 6d. per ton weight.

(b) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s. 0d.

(c) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(d) Transhipped at Sydney.

(e) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

States and Territories.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (a)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales .. .	58,225,180	66,321,757	64,009,929	68,933,904	65,081,801
Victoria .. .	49,592,643	54,289,690	50,327,055	55,560,936	47,911,131
Queensland .. .	11,605,668	12,833,375	13,772,854	13,497,758	11,760,214
South Australia .. .	12,700,321	13,970,327	14,079,788	15,507,260	12,509,800
Western Australia .. .	6,662,729	8,026,452	7,896,174	9,447,033	9,011,294
Tasmania .. .	1,817,320	1,681,059	1,518,210	1,732,889	1,640,817
Northern Territory .. .	14,432	20,636	34,168	36,814	30,413
Total .. .	140,618,293	157,143,296	151,638,178	164,716,594	147,944,970

(a) Preliminary figures.

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS, 1923-24 to 1927-28. (a)

States and Territories.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (b)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales .. .	43,146,722	60,577,094	54,001,814	62,815,077	51,882,915
Victoria .. .	29,612,548	41,641,979	33,317,301	34,986,873	31,728,558
Queensland .. .	14,628,305	24,441,600	26,384,916	14,721,201	21,855,064
South Australia .. .	16,912,932	19,225,027	19,450,144	17,123,012	18,030,143
Western Australia .. .	12,412,625	12,859,498	12,611,631	13,067,922	10,252,679
Tasmania .. .	2,760,032	3,243,017	2,070,226	2,396,496	3,434,486
Northern Territory .. .	8,000	41,944	35,902	29,786	29,265
Total .. .	119,487,164	162,030,159	148,771,934	145,140,367	143,213,070

(a) Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched.

(b) Preliminary figures.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Year.	Value.					Value per Head.				
	Exports. (a)					Exports.				
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
			£	£	£			£	£	£
1923-24	260,105,457	140,618,293	116,162,545	3,324,619	119,487,164	45 4	9 24	9 1	20 4	1 0 11 7 20 15 8
1924-25	319,173,455	157,143,296	158,942,417	3,087,742	162,030,159	54 6	10 26	15 1	27 1	3 0 10 6 27 11 11
1925-26	300,410,112	151,638,178	145,704,799	3,067,135	148,771,934	50 2	8 25	6 2	24 6	3 0 10 3 24 16 6
1926-27	309,856,961	164,716,594	142,151,058	2,989,309	145,140,367	50 14	1 26	19 1	23 5	3 0 9 9 23 15 0
1927-28	291,158,040	147,944,970	138,947,447	4,265,623	143,213,070	46 14	0 23	14 7	22 5	9 0 13 8 22 19 5

(a) Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board oversea ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1923-24, £2,614,948; in 1924-25, £2,714,562; in 1925-26, £2,773,422; and in 1926-27, £2,781,312. Figures for 1927-28 are not available.

(b) Preliminary figures.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
1923-24	140,556,501	61,792	140,618,293	115,674,668	3,812,496	119,487,164	-24,881,833	3,750,704	-21,131,129
1924-25	146,600,489	10,542,807	157,143,296	159,987,124	2,043,035	162,030,159	13,386,635	-8,499,772	4,886,863
1925-26	151,217,425	420,753	151,638,178	143,282,515	5,489,419	148,771,934	-7,934,910	5,068,666	-2,866,244
1926-27	164,127,759	588,835	164,716,594	132,837,061	12,303,306	145,140,367	-31,290,698	11,714,471	-19,576,227
1927-28	146,936,540	1,008,430	147,944,970	139,472,322	3,740,748	143,213,070	-7,464,218	2,732,318	-4,731,900

(a) Preliminary figures.

NOTE.—The minus sign (—) denotes an excess of imports.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and Total Net Revenue collected during the December Quarter of 1927 and 1928, during the first six months of 1927-28 and 1928-29, and during the financial years 1926-27 and 1927-28.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to Revision.)

Division.	December Quarter.		Six Months.		Financial Year.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CUSTOMS.						
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	699,644	675,483	1,522,029	1,430,002	2,910,173	2,830,418
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	728,995	725,212	1,427,890	1,405,587	2,558,324	2,743,729
3. Sugar ..	5,163	3,616	10,840	6,897	20,157	16,976
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	411,548	384,600	767,949	672,910	1,579,109	1,420,330
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	1,309,665	1,337,484	3,177,622	2,772,862	6,325,520	5,886,052
6. Metals and Machinery ..	1,406,595	1,503,606	3,131,739	2,720,851	6,119,687	5,702,038
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	654,763	741,835	1,266,726	1,409,730	2,199,166	2,621,982
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	216,648	237,494	417,082	400,543	749,294	716,859
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	137,021	162,748	284,284	297,987	569,128	534,704
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	440,417	469,333	866,585	807,097	1,415,851	1,628,069
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	258,013	285,745	533,176	537,067	973,858	859,918
12. Leather and Rubber ..	319,753	195,251	658,784	365,376	1,628,102	1,149,624
13. Paper and Stationery ..	228,022	225,715	448,263	398,964	763,109	774,068
14. Vehicles ..	704,550	1,004,157	1,316,301	1,621,912	3,399,536	2,580,629
15. Musical Instruments ..	105,806	77,785	213,034	143,911	523,254	368,400
16. Miscellaneous ..	307,447	311,386	620,206	563,499	1,228,354	1,068,955
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	18,469	14,632	34,042	44,841	75,012	62,745
Total Customs ..	7,952,519	8,356,082	16,696,552	15,600,036	33,037,634	30,965,491
EXCISE.						
Beer	1,943,737	1,981,034	3,249,150	3,269,401	6,130,835	6,182,888
Spirits	422,881	377,553	1,010,699	874,721	2,070,950	1,984,831
Starch	3,768	5	3,972	139	9,646	14,649
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	961,640	983,993	1,871,607	1,818,904	3,530,898	3,542,011
Licences, &c.	9,399	8,340	9,981	8,720	11,674	12,313
Total Excise ..	3,341,425	3,350,925	6,145,409	5,971,885	11,754,003	11,736,692
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	11,293,944	11,707,007	22,841,961	21,571,921	44,791,637	42,702,183
Drawbacks and Repayments ..	320,420	260,718	603,670	622,690	1,244,992	1,255,730
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	10,973,524	11,446,289	22,238,291	20,949,281	43,546,645	41,446,453

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA of the undermentioned classes of goods—the produce or manufacture of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Germany, Japan, Netherlands East Indies, the United States of America, and all countries, during the quarter ending 30th September, 1928.

Classes of Goods.	Great Britain and Northern Ireland.	Canada.	Ger- many.	Japan.	Nether- lands East Indies.	U.S. America.	Total all Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Footstuffs of animal origin	113,787	46,120	505	25,713	762	88,292	432,632
2. Footstuffs of vegetable origin and non-alcoholic beverages ..	121,796	2,071	1,972	14,660	475,801	77,905	1,441,877
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	335,094	264	660	15	11	5	446,583
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof ..	128,435	..	60	7	3,357	528,781	730,761
5. Live animals ..	14,642	39	165	81	450	1,479	33,086
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs ..	117,364	1,988	5,327	58,928	16,386	16,909	504,353
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ..	27,497	3	4,405	10,718	90,155	24,991	680,075
8. Apparel, textiles, and manufactured fibres ..	4,654,062	42,524	293,083	1,157,984	12,071	728,984	9,183,523
9. Oils, fats, and waxes ..	63,150	235	3,197	17,119	978,895	1,353,281	2,550,566
10. Paints and varnishes ..	98,168	771	6,795	39	..	56,069	169,948
11. Stones and minerals, including ores, &c. ..	44,475	4,141	2,558	48	..	37,284	185,084
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery ..	4,336,328	419,603	293,037	6,361	144	3,308,834	8,691,644
13. Rubber and leather, and manufactures thereof ..	138,118	10,299	27,097	715	21,245	130,519	583,512
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured ..	66,923	39,917	11,337	51,511	9,225	451,098	920,468
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, &c. ..	316,053	701	49,596	36,504	91	34,405	534,809
16. Paper and stationery ..	1,079,918	259,055	44,865	6,288	75	159,300	1,823,291
17. Jewellery, timepieces, and fancy goods ..	242,412	747	143,113	34,907	831	55,962	730,409
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments ..	142,844	3,672	40,168	270	79	118,345	328,222
19. Drugs, chemicals, and fertilizers ..	461,334	4,961	59,608	11,974	701	209,177	1,299,837
20. Miscellaneous ..	412,344	16,431	83,897	16,946	408	216,696	1,035,793
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie ..	1,488	..	..	..	..	188	105,686
Total ..	12,916,232	853,542	1,072,145	1,450,788	1,610,687	7,598,504	32,412,159

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured.(a)		
QUANTITY.							
	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1923-24	654,409	10,223,828	35,946,288	4,839,455	473,552	398,053	1,051,639
1924-25	1,452,813	8,960,939	62,122,853	4,922,671	436,244	502,715	2,836,191
1925-26	978,998	10,020,633	32,536,637	7,689,298	560,360	856,820	2,140,898
1926-27	765,165	9,869,282	44,355,189	7,123,425	577,286	935,202	1,121,931
1927-28	991,649	8,675,900	31,825,414	6,888,446	538,507	463,630	1,690,947

VALUE.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923-24	4,874,921	5,317,797	13,979,342	48,673,982	7,522,274	1,170,850	1,301,879
1924-25	10,006,081	6,186,275	34,613,713	55,580,545	7,676,010	1,522,082	4,140,020
1925-26	7,006,830	6,839,361	17,187,388	56,495,373	6,708,042	2,430,465	3,264,911
1926-27	5,447,224	6,254,316	20,785,414	53,410,657	6,642,701	2,057,607	1,627,807
1927-28	6,905,933	5,229,463	14,629,899	58,796,050	7,299,851	1,188,506	2,377,791

(a) Includes Tops.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA DURING THE DECEMBER QUARTER, 1927 AND 1928, AND DURING THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1927-28 AND 1928-29.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£	£	£	£
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	394,930	432,034	571,337	603,288
Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated, &c.	106,718	110,483	226,674	207,416
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	15,040	31,122	25,895	45,728
Sausage Casings	69,863	51,620	144,954	125,708
Other	58,772	61,248	112,523	112,208
Milk and Cream	13,100	9,538	25,474	17,437
Other Animal Foodstuffs	94,660	16,399	433,664	33,291
Total, Class I.	753,083	712,444	1,540,521	1,145,076
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter and Cocoa Butter	56,764	53,034	134,900	99,245
Cocoa and Chocolate	69,991	55,392	128,656	117,130
Coffee and Chicory	34,538	34,947	79,377	66,212
Confectionery—				
Chocolate	10,240	9,092	22,847	17,179
Other	31,974	35,776	56,003	64,818
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates ..	127,472	118,839	135,769	128,853
Fresh—				
Bananas	7,810	10,232	14,787	22,306
Other	3,331	2,265	3,747	3,316
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. preserved in liquid	75,704	59,543	139,276	113,110
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	79,575	5,757	136,029	27,355
Prepared—				
Rice	22,384	16,327	30,429	26,137
Other	6,935	4,689	14,390	10,230
Hops	2,611	1,223	5,027	4,537
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	22,948	22,773	52,450	44,873
Mustard	10,882	23,642	26,432	33,663
Nuts—Edible	126,167	101,671	209,638	165,534
Pickles and Sauces	19,293	29,134	41,038	48,867
Sago and Tapioca	15,109	17,699	29,751	31,692
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	12,880	9,650	21,377	12,905
Spices	61,379	72,879	117,415	133,324
Sugar (Cane)	56	14	77	230
Tea	981,774	990,364	1,854,891	1,848,602
Vinegar	8,317	8,399	10,558	12,842
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	110,203	77,254	193,542	169,512
Total, Class II.	1,898,337	1,760,595	3,458,406	3,202,472

SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.
VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£	£	£
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	49,870	60,162	99,653	101,430
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	19,342	31,047	43,311	51,893
Gin	37,649	58,855	85,929	107,535
Rum	8,399	6,512	14,613	14,927
Whisky	292,466	310,579	611,451	611,591
Other, including Liqueurs ..	9,015	9,866	20,018	17,706
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	11,493	14,274	20,335	27,268
Other	8,873	10,440	15,432	15,968
Total, Class III. ..	437,107	501,735	910,742	948,318
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	74,918	43,152	118,236	84,360
Unmanufactured	153,404	265,719	773,254	798,653
Cigars	41,060	46,191	88,363	77,354
Cigarettes	129,725	149,146	249,673	274,175
Snuff	531	147	607	574
Total, Class IV. ..	399,638	504,355	1,230,133	1,235,116
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS. ..	22,115	32,402	73,749	65,488
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	6,104	7,646	12,629	13,815
Hair and Fibre	21,530	15,752	44,438	31,268
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle, Horse	104,080	140,506	222,584	304,095
Sheep	5,631	4,630	15,045	9,480
Other	73,793	97,999	150,530	184,928
Silk, Raw	69,628	56,817	118,830	114,974
Wool	250,299	92,392	390,801	240,780
Other Animal Substances ..	43,472	24,971	74,583	45,726
Total, Class VI. ..	574,537	440,713	1,029,440	945,066
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Copra	176,181	147,724	353,211	328,639
Corks and Cork Manufactures ..	35,961	34,398	67,885	57,343
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	20,090	18,286	34,272	32,342
Flax and Hemp, including Phormium Tenax	73,707	60,746	164,387	128,353
Kapok	84,929	109,959	195,941	207,985
Other	55,201	68,415	117,943	117,945
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, &c. ..	7,134	6,438	16,524	14,503
Gums and Resins	87,055	75,421	165,545	123,158
Pulp for Papermaking	76,497	25,490	202,251	44,622
Seeds—Linseed	79,479	103,315	197,787	223,011
Tanning Substances—				
Bark	1,406	229	2,478	407
Other	17,213	17,761	30,091	26,609
Other Vegetable Substances ..	45,214	40,132	78,173	83,472
Total, Class VII. ..	760,067	708,314	1,626,488	1,388,389

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
	£	£	£	£
<i>(a) Apparel and Attire.</i>				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (Other than Knitted) ..	85,086	71,679	202,849	175,244
Boots and Shoes ..	146,533	148,882	276,958	264,458
Furs and other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared	208,869	138,918	399,315	215,688
Gloves	111,623	99,573	258,526	251,184
Hats and Caps	216,129	228,003	507,683	437,814
Knitted Articles of Apparel— Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, &c. ..	29,054	33,518	68,055	59,428
Socks and Stockings ..	225,164	297,343	870,151	623,777
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	22,640	16,967	42,535	42,818
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	15,315	11,257	30,248	20,705
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	207,484	202,847	500,708	398,202
Other Apparel and Attire ..	191,676	188,592	421,446	375,935
<i>(b) Textiles.</i>				
Carpets, Linoleums and other Floor Coverings ..	716,202	735,526	1,458,755	1,376,433
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen ..	123,774	126,626	289,882	281,377
Piece Goods— Canvas and Duck ..	193,063	221,730	413,246	372,445
Cotton and Linen ..	2,171,288	1,970,030	5,278,887	4,027,719
Hessians and Other Jute Piece Goods ..	154,031	170,795	354,928	305,290
Lace for Attire, &c. ..	84,093	95,464	240,924	221,040
Silk, or containing Silk ..	1,467,296	1,715,644	3,595,375	3,784,313
Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c. ..	90,825	132,546	154,211	195,811
Woollens	533,421	322,592	1,168,443	661,370
Other	303,505	261,130	540,070	506,305
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, &c. ..	94,862	84,461	192,848	156,596
Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, &c. ..	228,525	204,548	462,776	395,395
Towels and Towelling ..	162,668	128,806	312,350	236,880
Other Textiles	197,054	198,304	385,368	379,711
<i>(c) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>				
Bags and Sacks— Bran, Chaff and Compressed Fodder ..	66,762	109,291	151,067	158,027
Corn and Flour	1,762,690	2,304,784	2,014,965	2,580,995
Woolpacks	34,039	15,058	536,548	420,655
Other	29,851	16,157	32,034	20,606
Cordage and Twines, excluding Metal Cordage	54,219	53,933	176,680	107,190
Yarns— Artificial Silk	162,218	248,848	328,061	435,890
Cotton	204,745	278,778	354,227	441,479
Wool	73,864	64,493	155,225	106,969
Other	26,905	37,344	51,453	80,241
Total, Class VIII ..	10,395,473	10,934,467	22,226,797	20,117,990

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	£	£	£	£
Fat and Waxes, &c. . .	71,774	58,012	139,064	122,360
Oils—				
Kerosene	234,388	279,195	472,402	597,370
Linseed	19,592	21,051	40,965	39,801
Lubricating (Mineral) . . .	243,426	283,577	523,552	570,492
Petroleum Spirit	1,556,746	1,796,720	3,069,938	3,319,042
Turpentine	38,004	31,153	97,492	49,771
Other	286,079	380,438	595,276	701,876
Total, Class IX	2,450,009	2,850,146	4,938,689	5,400,712
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	175,188	199,553	374,200	355,004
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. . .	22,002	20,272	47,503	34,769
Total, Class X	197,190	219,825	421,703	389,773
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch	165,248	138,451	257,166	217,354
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives	41,345	40,474	83,547	70,470
Other Stones	23,510	22,205	47,875	41,881
Other Minerals, &c., including Ores and Concentrates . . .	66,902	87,518	163,159	144,027
Total, Class XI	297,005	288,648	551,747	473,732
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANU- FACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) Machines and Machinery.				
Electrical Machinery and Ap- pliances—				
Batteries and Accumulators . . .	165,117	173,159	420,484	367,169
Cable and Wire, covered	517,663	305,387	913,896	599,791
Dynamo Electric Machines . . .	190,246	186,732	518,241	382,071
Lamps, Filament, for Lighting and Heating	128,778	208,178	288,316	327,814
Telegraph Instruments, &c., Telephones and Telephone Switchboards, &c.	272,594	65,733	455,032	171,096
Other	555,176	603,012	1,255,737	1,120,415
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, &c.)	228,625	161,967	509,786	366,999
Metal-working Machinery	117,862	138,663	253,921	208,856
Motive-power Machinery (exclud- ing electric)	584,550	765,624	1,366,962	1,310,283
Printing Machinery	119,637	152,646	229,715	225,952
Sewing Machines	118,198	105,148	279,030	196,963
Yarn-making and Textile-making Machinery	153,514	108,998	270,908	196,338
Other Machines and Machinery	842,930	991,962	1,899,835	1,745,030

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.				
(b) <i>Metals and Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>				
Alloys .. .	81,539	81,973	154,252	138,882
Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers .. .	68,006	64,724	137,882	106,746
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	297,446	245,706	695,994	392,406
Beams, Channels, Girders, Joists, &c. .. .	123,684	54,319	316,901	116,546
Pig and Scrap .. .	14,653	10,658	37,783	23,843
Pipes and Tubes .. .	358,308	446,999	744,050	747,090
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—				
Corrugated .. .	572,304	356,979	1,197,627	578,700
Flat .. .	181,124	133,774	396,286	232,029
Plain .. .	267,714	283,724	759,330	514,487
Tinned .. .	374,100	389,633	699,007	580,708
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	38,243	23,922	120,385	28,151
Wire .. .	119,376	127,022	243,378	238,176
Lamps and Lampware .. .	108,655	157,350	220,994	256,479
Plated Ware and Cutlery .. .	272,067	241,081	499,485	451,370
Tools of Trade (not being Machines) .. .	295,461	298,118	572,206	522,036
Vehicles—				
Motor Cars—				
Bodies and parts .. .	284,527	458,011	540,742	695,179
Chassis and parts .. .	1,897,545	2,747,001	3,862,979	4,408,801
Motor Cycle, Side Cars, &c. .. .	146,970	178,509	245,734	280,716
Other, and parts .. .	494,690	716,673	996,418	1,258,332
Other Metals and Metal Manufacturers .. .	1,115,510	1,182,798	2,260,040	2,068,373
Total, Class XII. .. .	11,106,812	12,166,183	23,363,336	20,857,827
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. .. .	600,862	258,759	1,224,891	486,218
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic ;				
Rubber Thread .. .	77,906	80,514	170,325	163,371
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other .. .	297,522	96,762	635,134	194,505
Other .. .	97,254	91,794	200,078	174,470
(b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather.</i>				
Leather .. .	75,737	66,318	154,777	122,468
Leather Manufactures, &c. .. .	47,199	55,361	88,529	91,988
Total, Class XIII. .. .	1,196,480	649,508	2,473,734	1,233,020

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
£	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber—				
Dressed	376,644	286,132	649,169	455,251
Undressed	1,091,356	824,011	2,355,470	1,412,040
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	211,707	196,515	406,524	359,835
Total, Class XIV.	1,679,707	1,306,658	3,411,163	2,227,126
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CE- MENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Cement (Portland)	19,260	20,398	34,859	42,452
Crockery and other Household Ware	245,942	264,472	464,050	439,693
Glass and Glassware	374,252	374,830	685,865	629,619
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stoneware	88,795	128,646	200,411	211,391
Total, Class XV.	728,249	788,346	1,385,185	1,323,155
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION- ERY.				
(a) Paper.				
Millboards and other boards	84,236	92,048	152,565	155,942
Printing	819,250	779,008	1,620,899	1,528,670
Wrapping	115,273	104,185	222,077	167,387
Writing and Typewriting	165,404	175,039	339,079	293,209
Other	159,526	172,236	305,805	295,110
(b) Stationery and Paper Manu- factures.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	382,768	444,518	773,678	758,612
Paperhangings and Wallpapers	17,399	19,781	37,262	45,182
Pens and Pencils	85,617	85,096	159,475	151,195
Other Stationery, &c.	324,862	338,200	657,876	638,095
Total, Class XVI.	2,154,335	2,210,111	4,268,716	4,033,402
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods—				
Toys	117,505	139,303	252,107	270,694
Other	270,821	283,187	563,021	566,380
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (Unset)—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c.	202,598	242,157	303,251	376,081
Other	37,535	61,986	94,307	111,104
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	244,955	216,395	432,694	349,178
Total, Class XVII.	873,414	943,028	1,645,380	1,673,437

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Kinematographs, &c.	79,160	54,000	139,246	112,070
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	109,897	105,745	199,546	181,273
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	119,021	101,260	235,479	182,530
Other Optical and Scientific Instruments	129,371	156,463	281,544	269,817
Total, Class XVIII. . .	437,449	417,468	855,815	745,690
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acid—Tartaric	19,124	24,423	34,509	40,541
Calcium Carbide	6,272	7,584	12,823	11,676
Cream of Tartar	48,328	36,604	108,934	76,149
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	6,730	13,251	17,837	21,910
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines . . .	79,220	86,660	155,140	156,401
Other	57,993	63,825	117,772	117,215
Dyes	39,943	36,212	89,717	67,762
Fertilizers	232,670	368,609	598,085	795,885
Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips	16,350	38,886	43,954	64,176
Oils—Essential (non-spirituous)	40,378	37,226	80,163	60,576
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	112,421	146,875	224,813	277,964
Salt	25,081	21,503	41,161	42,891
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash) . . .	45,954	61,191	94,368	75,137
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) . . .	30,078	34,089	61,455	65,299
Other	32,500	42,692	69,512	73,491
Spirits and Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups, &c. . . .	28,192	23,928	53,431	40,247
Other	46,315	80,931	111,775	149,199
Sulphur (Brimstone)	65,459	137,075	216,831	233,624
Other Drugs and Chemicals . . .	178,540	233,866	345,433	425,124
Total, Class XIX. . .	1,111,548	1,495,430	2,477,713	2,795,267

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	317,835	311,881	481,163	459,377
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c.	137,002	126,202	270,001	244,950
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	52,725	34,518	112,732	84,763
Other	75,200	71,468	156,060	131,637
Matches and Vestas	54,943	45,167	88,863	70,146
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos	39,146	30,888	74,698	46,654
Player Pianos	182,068	80,762	374,035	144,275
Piano and Player Piano Parts	22,973	28,924	44,306	47,171
Other Musical Instruments and Parts	52,835	54,784	99,633	101,029
Packings for Engines, Boilers, &c.	25,474	33,811	50,079	59,566
Soap	28,772	40,524	59,990	71,985
Vessels (Ships), Including Fittings	98,128	163,885	325,198	304,451
All other Articles	320,747	343,130	594,869	635,733
Total, Class XX. ..	1,407,848	1,365,944	2,731,627	2,401,737
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	164,529	80,249	294,344	180,749
Silver, including Silver in matte ..	21,992	2,462	27,543	7,595
Bronze Specie .. ..	..	..	119	53
Total, Class XXI. ..	186,521	82,711	322,006	188,397
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	16,771,965	17,130,173	35,222,833	32,228,177
Victoria	12,892,520	13,462,166	26,445,827	23,467,991
Queensland	3,020,400	3,057,206	6,482,363	5,801,836
South Australia	3,406,459	3,323,759	7,264,821	5,645,643
Western Australia	2,554,948	2,982,146	4,655,823	4,724,082
Tasmania	411,962	414,923	853,660	908,718
North Australia	8,670	8,658	17,763	14,743
GRAND TOTAL ..	39,066,924	40,379,031	80,943,090	72,791,190
TOTAL IMPORTS—				
Merchandise	38,880,475	40,296,386	80,659,051	72,603,384
Bullion and Specie	186,449	82,645	284,039	187,806

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.*

EXPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.				
Butter .. .	2,168,236	2,715,338	2,466,790	3,504,586
Butter Substitutes .. .	103	848	183	1,353
Cheese .. .	52,353	141,385	80,433	180,455
Eggs .. .	40,715	140,315	85,101	212,887
Meats—				
Potted or Concentrated .. .	8,981	16,803	25,478	44,201
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef .. .	297,132	491,174	1,178,699	1,549,108
Lamb .. .	538,814	760,925	637,289	902,365
Mutton .. .	74,541	257,305	151,018	589,750
Rabbits and Hares .. .	51,560	62,407	232,435	229,755
Preserved in Tins .. .	33,790	49,639	88,136	102,978
Sausage Casings .. .	150,902	129,371	272,845	212,242
Other .. .	82,734	101,798	174,036	210,860
Milk and Cream .. .	475,576	579,863	584,546	686,495
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .	6,550	3,302	14,217	9,821
Total, Class I. ..	3,981,987	5,450,473	5,991,206	8,436,856
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c. .. .	13,591	19,786	29,680	38,014
Biscuits .. .	38,188	33,163	74,109	64,222
Confectionery .. .	40,810	30,356	82,724	51,642
Fodders .. .	10,230	13,146	19,019	27,674
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants .. .	20,585	8,293	85,790	99,319
Raisins .. .	476,175	138,622	943,996	442,443
Other .. .	829	3,005	1,719	9,276
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples .. .	344	2,613	9,296	32,681
Citrus .. .	20,962	38,169	41,338	63,863
Other .. .	7,053	12,152	22,774	33,704
Fruits, preserved in liquid .. .	24,596	25,875	71,857	101,186
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped .. .	809	1,964	2,460	32,860
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley .. .	40,985	44,289	133,850	63,034
Wheat .. .	945,194	2,956,455	3,911,465	4,951,123
Other .. .	6,916	58,357	15,989	69,871
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps .. .	40,662	53,135	89,562	108,079
Flour (Wheaten) .. .	938,542	1,565,619	2,548,507	2,767,143
Rice .. .	17,401	23,007	37,146	45,737
Other .. .	2,660	3,225	4,875	5,854
Jams and Fruit Jellies .. .	14,717	16,345	35,219	30,882
Sugar (Cane) .. .	2,235,708	2,783,115	3,111,060	4,552,454
Tea .. .	34,613	24,230	83,366	48,801
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. .	39,828	35,958	73,813	89,061
Total, Class II. ..	4,971,398	7,890,879	11,429,614	13,728,923

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	10,274	11,728	21,111	22,576
Spirits (Beverages) .. .	7,965	6,678	16,262	13,393
Wine .. .	269,057	147,373	778,104	197,769
Total, Class III. ..	287,296	165,779	815,477	233,738
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	11,740	8,516	18,299	15,474
Tobacco .. .	102,512	119,289	228,016	244,685
Total, Class IV. ..	114,252	127,805	246,315	260,159
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle .. .	11,758	6,366	21,276	16,960
Horses .. .	102,816	87,440	123,238	99,601
Sheep .. .	12,536	30,449	26,257	45,250
Other Living Animals ..	6,563	13,329	8,492	17,894
Total, Class V. ..	133,673	137,584	179,263	179,705
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	521,341	447,371	945,706	929,629
Fox .. .	22,549	21,797	114,861	98,919
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	119,517	104,888	176,838	227,659
Possum .. .	217,398	21,784	499,638	153,474
Rabbit and Hare .. .	229,238	431,275	1,745,134	1,752,870
Sheep .. .	1,368,381	1,499,558	2,683,147	2,865,471
Other .. .	163,234	7,322	207,915	25,309
Pearlshell .. .	129,176	134,189	211,777	234,389
Trochus Shell .. .	34,568	24,326	50,923	40,896
Wool—				
Greasy .. .	24,529,881	21,990,058	30,993,893	26,665,260
Scoured .. .	1,787,915	1,735,179	3,297,168	2,995,747
Tops .. .	144,293	39,361	305,409	102,489
Other Animal Substances ..	50,312	45,515	86,304	83,852
Total Class VI. ..	29,817,803	26,502,623	41,318,713	36,175,964
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Bark, Tanning .. .	4,673	9,173	5,200	14,005
Copra .. .	115,728	61,124	272,486	197,537
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw .. .	..	1,617	3,742	46,814
Other .. .	19,897	22,347	38,716	42,797
Sandalwood .. .	44,285	100,510	90,361	128,445
Other Vegetable Substances ..	26,793	30,947	54,486	59,616
Total, Class VII. ..	210,876	225,718	464,991	489,214

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
£	£	£	£	£
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Boots and Shoes .. .	6,826	4,638	10,603	9,574
Other Apparel and Attire .. .	43,318	37,733	77,188	79,934
Piece Goods .. .	47,423	42,564	94,957	87,866
Other Textile .. .	10,574	15,042	21,306	28,347
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns .. .	23,271	21,901	53,595	60,697
Total, Class VIII. .. .	131,412	121,878	257,649	266,418
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c. .. .	13,444	19,907	33,056	49,063
Oils .. .	89,624	144,620	165,359	167,935
Tallow, unrefined .. .	292,723	455,406	626,385	724,305
Total, Class IX. .. .	395,791	619,933	824,800	941,303
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES	9,151	14,826	21,633	30,632
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Coal .. .	164,040	100,369	435,383	240,414
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver Lead .. .	131,483	16,703	201,294	60,265
Zinc .. .	519,307	343,936	1,027,106	649,741
Other .. .	14,213	23,298	24,150	40,907
Other Stones and Minerals .. .	23,788	8,173	49,291	26,627
Total, Class XI. .. .	852,831	492,479	1,737,224	1,017,954
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) Machines and Machinery.				
Machines and Machinery .. .	150,798	133,594	298,648	269,737
(b) Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.				
Copper—Ingots, and in matte .. .	73,761	60,770	74,431	173,466
Iron and Steel—Manufactured and partly manufactured .. .	40,014	22,667	74,228	58,646
Lead—Pig, and in matte .. .	825,283	806,604	1,937,353	1,585,294
Platinum, Osmium, &c.—Bars, Blocks, Rods, &c. .. .	3,137	3,390	7,102	9,381
Tin Ingots .. .	88,819	106,198	203,150	174,275
Vehicles .. .	61,300	29,780	82,516	64,349
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c. .. .	278,757	211,700	671,379	464,331
Other Metals, and manufactures thereof .. .	115,514	119,869	253,050	239,838
Total, Class XII. .. .	1,637,383	1,494,572	3,601,857	3,039,317

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
£	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	24,652	23,220	54,141	50,973
Leather	146,538	157,955	274,894	274,320
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	6,780	5,422	13,886	16,141
Total, Class XIII. ..	177,970	186,597	342,921	341,434
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED				
Timber	352,201	228,289	752,285	566,638
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	22,702	23,437	45,398	46,881
Total, Class XIV. ..	374,903	251,726	797,683	613,519
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND GLASSWARE				
	39,473	23,380	67,380	51,499
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION- ERY.				
Paper	17,770	16,362	31,900	34,912
Stationery	50,499	45,945	90,142	87,222
Total, Class XVI. ..	68,269	62,307	122,042	122,134
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, Unset Pearls, Cameos, &c.	28,937	13,189	50,634	67,276
Other Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy Goods	13,665	11,242	20,583	23,714
Total, Class XVII. ..	42,602	24,431	71,217	90,990
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Photographic Goods and Materials —Cameras, &c.	18,157	21,813	37,650	40,771
Talking Machines, Phonographs, &c.	28,908	38,258	70,273	94,598
Other Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments ..	16,463	13,462	39,057	39,396
Total, Class XVIII. ..	63,528	73,533	146,980	174,765

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	December Quarter.		Six Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1927-28.	1928-29.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein .. .	9,431	19,794	15,558	29,286
Fertilizers—				
Ammonium Sulphate ..	2,911	1,172	26,696	11,143
Other .. .	1,521	8,658	6,250	12,000
Medicines .. .	27,486	27,467	58,280	54,799
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), N.E.I. ..	13,736	20,415	22,109	31,953
Eucalyptus .. .	28,829	24,263	51,948	50,917
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. .	55,591	70,834	105,233	135,936
Total, Class XIX. ..	139,505	172,603	286,074	326,034
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	8,141	16,486	22,773	36,048
Personal and Household Effects,				
&c. .. .	27,982	37,951	50,456	57,403
Soap .. .	81,674	69,871	165,495	148,045
Vessels (Ships) transferred abroad ..	..	..	20	20,550
All other Articles .. .	53,387	64,196	114,154	123,679
Total, Class XX. ..	171,184	188,504	352,898	385,725
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	51,770	175,984	2,212,501	1,429,613
Silver, including Silver in matte ..	213,568	188,998	520,804	457,356
Bronze Specie .. .	16	..	23	..
Total, Class XXI. ..	265,354	364,982	2,733,328	1,886,969
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales .. .	15,409,279	16,337,331	28,528,374	24,263,442
Victoria .. .	11,105,981	13,013,276	15,086,934	17,494,240
Queensland .. .	7,680,099	7,715,350	11,709,927	13,708,614
South Australia .. .	4,868,968	4,678,108	9,232,118	6,959,908
Western Australia .. .	3,968,238	2,562,518	6,434,448	5,666,807
Tasmania .. .	350,093	276,378	812,957	678,629
North Australia .. .	3,983	9,651	4,507	21,612
Total { Australian Produce ..	42,702,820	43,984,216	70,426,042	67,441,074
Other Produce ..	683,821	608,396	1,383,223	1,352,178
GRAND TOTAL ..	43,386,641	44,592,612	71,809,265	68,793,252
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise .. .	43,121,287	44,227,630	69,084,744	66,906,283
Bullion and Specie .. .	265,354	364,982	2,724,521	1,886,969

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE of Australian Origin exported from each State to Various Countries during the first six months of 1927-28 and 1928-29.

NOTE.—In these tables exports are referred to the State from which they were finally dispatched.

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	35,812	238,635	126,909	4,861	..	..	406,217	284,818
Africa, Portuguese East ..	20	54	..	..	..	..	74	107
Belgium ..	..	386	..	..	..	..	386	153
Borneo (British) ..	19	9	..	..	..	..	28	91
Canada ..	2,244	280	..	..	..	..	2,524	3,119
Ceylon ..	2	1,328	756	75	..	..	2,161	2,778
China ..	2,135	1,241	524	..	..	..	3,900	3,210
Egypt ..	1,823	927	980	..	..	..	8,730	3,754
France ..	3	1,124	..	..	..	..	1,127	2,522
French Indo-China ..	..	38	27	..	..	..	65	18
Germany ..	1,036	1,870	..	..	..	..	2,906	24
Hong Kong ..	2,144	226	579	..	..	..	2,949	1,465
India ..	50	165	..	..	..	..	215	262
Italy ..	303	1,344	..	..	..	..	1,647	..
Japan ..	168	106	34	..	..	..	308	121
Korea ..	..	65	43	..	..	..	108	59
Malaya (British) ..	1,582	4,984	1,350	..	..	..	7,916	4,858
Mauritius ..	25	468	..	..	..	..	493	494
Mexico ..	31	..	..	..	..	..	31	..
Netherlands East Indies ..	1,201	26,670	359	..	..	..	28,230	28,445
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	31	..	..	..	..	..	31	17
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	15	16	..	..	..	..	31	54
Hawaiian Islands ..	17	..	..	..	..	..	17	54
New Caledonia ..	485	..	..	..	..	..	485	363
New Hebrides ..	184	..	..	..	..	..	184	105
Solomon Islands ..	27	..	58	..	..	..	85	94
Territory of New Guinea ..	240	1	162	..	..	..	403	392
Other Islands ..	81	30	..	..	..	..	111	80
Panama ..	2,674	..	..	..	..	..	2,674	1,736
Papua ..	39	..	184	..	..	..	223	244
Philippine Islands ..	496	126	3,263	..	..	..	3,885	1,910
Siam ..	..	386	83	..	..	..	469	354
South African Union ..	..	743	..	..	..	..	743	1,092
Sudan ..	108	67	..	..	..	..	175	110
United States of America ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	561
West Indies (British) ..	90	..	..	..	..	..	90	..
Other Countries ..	47	15	..	..	..	..	62	48
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	53,083	281,304	135,311	4,936	..	..	474,634	
1927-28 ..	47,250	162,569	123,556	4,637	..	..	..	388,012

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	253,392	1,789,940	890,290	33,377	..	..	2,966,999	2,035,954
Africa, Portuguese East ..	145	492	..	..	..	..	637	1,036
Belgium ..	..	3,504	..	..	..	..	3,504	1,347
Borneo (British) ..	152	76	..	..	..	..	228	863
Canada ..	19,360	2,100	..	..	..	..	21,460	22,582
Ceylon ..	17	10,623	5,848	625	..	..	16,613	22,266
China ..	15,413	10,479	3,530	..	..	..	29,422	23,966
Egypt ..	13,326	6,956	6,623	..	..	..	26,905	26,421
France ..	20	8,440	..	..	..	..	8,460	17,123
French Indo-China ..	..	304	248	..	..	..	552	159
Germany ..	7,470	13,303	..	..	..	..	20,773	217
Hong Kong ..	15,075	2,002	4,111	..	..	..	21,188	11,756
India ..	479	1,421	..	..	..	..	1,900	2,388
Italy ..	2,438	10,080	..	..	..	..	12,518	..
Japan ..	1,324	850	239	..	..	..	2,413	937
Korea ..	..	513	377	..	..	..	890	544
Malaya (British) ..	11,873	41,152	9,441	..	..	..	62,466	41,826
Mauritius ..	156	4,360	..	..	..	..	4,516	4,596
Mexico ..	274	..	..	..	..	..	274	..
Netherlands East Indies ..	9,520	217,568	3,010	..	..	..	230,098	198,309
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	285	..	..	..	..	..	285	171
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	131	124	..	..	..	..	255	503
Hawaiian Islands ..	150	..	..	..	..	..	150	405
New Caledonia ..	3,666	..	..	..	..	..	3,666	3,046
New Hebrides ..	1,149	..	..	..	..	..	1,149	980
Solomon Islands ..	251	..	540	..	..	..	791	931
Territory of New Guinea ..	1,926	13	1,507	..	..	..	3,446	3,628
Other Islands ..	690	222	..	..	..	..	912	725
Panama ..	19,564	..	..	..	..	..	19,564	9,570
Papua ..	349	..	1,633	..	..	..	1,982	2,228
Philippine Islands ..	3,646	917	23,908	..	..	..	28,471	14,988
Siam ..	..	3,280	809	..	..	..	4,089	3,245
South African Union ..	..	5,583	..	..	..	..	5,583	8,123
Sudan ..	791	494	..	..	..	..	1,285	894
United States of America ..	8	..	..	..	..	..	8	4,530
West Indies (British) ..	651	..	..	..	..	..	651	..
Other Countries ..	360	123	..	..	..	..	483	523
Total six months—								
1928-29 ..	384,051	2,134,919	951,614	34,002	..	..	3,504,586	..
1927-28 ..	328,136	1,250,418	852,978	33,258	..	..	..	2,466,790

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	70,732	120,198	..	186,518	65,796	75	443,319	737,903
Aden ..	9,788	9,235	..	..	..	..	19,023	4,563
Africa, Portuguese East ..	..	63,658	..	7,637	6,820	..	78,115	86,484
Africa, Portuguese West ..	560	6,189	..	25,386	..	..	32,135	..
Borneo (British)	14,614	879	..	1,792	..	..	17,285	20,513
Canary Islands ..	8,235	4,375	..	4,170	..	..	8,780	146,04
Ceylon ..	6,077	160,767	..	33,241	28,181	..	228,266	194,111
China ..	490	..	..	5,513	4,482	..	490	3,668
Cyprus ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,995	..
Egypt ..	761,871	493,600	..	432,797	401,637	..	2,089,905	1,309,301
France ..	..	..	..	1,104	..	..	1,104	..
French Indo-China ..	5,440	17,423	..	..	..	..	22,863	22,297
Germany ..	..	582	..	222	..	..	804	224
Gibraltar ..	..	692	..	553	..	..	1,245	5,018
Hong Kong ..	2,296	18,659	..	..	..	..	20,955	28,137
India ..	984	3,493	..	..	..	..	4,477	4,563
Irish Free State ..	1,120	..	..	..	..	..	1,120	..
Japan ..	2,745	2,221	..	..	..	..	4,966	6,638
Madagascar ..	3,442	7,616	..	2,493	..	..	13,551	2,233
Malaya (British) ..	218,835	134,275	..	18,740	107,667	..	479,517	459,923
Malta ..	..	3,754	..	..	11,200	..	14,954	67,993
Mauritius ..	447	73,928	..	15,446	672	..	90,493	38,227
Netherlands ..	2,660	636	..	..	1,120	..	4,416	5,600
Netherlands East Indies ..	227,251	390,868	..	22,822	91,085	..	732,026	596,487
New Zealand ..	12,824	18,411	..	..	..	..	31,235	56,289
Pacific Islands—	45,228	..	..	..	..	..	45,228	38,695
Fiji ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	953	833	..	..	..	..	1,786	1,896
Nauru ..	..	780	..	..	..	..	780	666
New Caledonia ..	39,358	..	..	..	..	..	39,358	38,573
New Hebrides ..	8,821	..	..	..	..	..	8,821	7,582
Samoa (British) ..	9,206	..	..	..	..	..	9,206	6,750
Samoa (American) ..	1,323	..	..	..	..	..	1,323	951
Society Islands ..	5,009	..	..	..	..	..	5,009	1,140
Solomon Islands ..	1,210	..	..	..	..	..	1,210	1,163
Territory of New Guinea ..	3,662	..	6	..	..	..	3,668	3,563
Tonga ..	11,861	947	..	493	..	..	13,301	9,185
Other Islands ..	891	..	..	..	..	..	891	897
Palestine ..	..	17,927	..	..	..	..	17,927	7,593
Papua ..	5,702	..	45	..	..	..	5,747	6,854
Philippine Islands ..	55,608	10,055	..	..	..	..	65,663	72,189
Réunion Island ..	..	11,199	..	..	..	..	11,199	..
Siam ..	21,883	44,253	..	..	..	..	66,136	19,203
South African Union ..	1,700	190,996	..	53,659	13,300	..	250,655	217,927
Sudan ..	21,869	14,888	..	..	225	..	36,932	6,723
Syria ..	46,698	22,400	..	..	..	..	69,098	22,400
Other Countries ..	5,310	..	..	..	136	..	5,446	2,430
Total six months—								
1928-29 ..	1,628,703	1,845,687	51	812,586	732,321	75	5,019,423	..
1927-28 ..	979,079	1,687,309	221	699,066	767,371	..	..	4,133,046

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	36,615	66,060	..	97,813	37,923	47	238,458	447,293
Aden ..	5,486	5,617	..	..	..	..	11,103	2,793
Africa, Portuguese East ..	..	29,027	..	4,165	4,155	..	37,347	55,050
Africa, Portuguese West ..	334	3,422	..	16,424	..	..	20,180	..
Borneo (British)	8,854	484	..	999	..	..	10,337	14,289
Canary Islands	141	2,231	..	2,265	..	..	4,637	9,736
Ceylon ..	3,338	83,220	..	17,981	15,527	..	120,075	118,039
China ..	356	..	..	..	..	..	356	2,308
Cyprus ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,234	..
Egypt ..	412,221	252,276	..	226,498	222,824	..	1,113,819	774,515
France ..	..	..	..	558	..	..	558	..
French Indo-China ..	3,154	10,307	..	..	..	..	13,461	14,440
Germany ..	..	322	..	126	..	..	448	168
Gibraltar ..	..	400	..	283	..	..	683	3,060
Hong Kong ..	1,301	10,483	..	..	..	..	11,784	18,018
India ..	586	2,030	..	..	..	..	2,616	3,005
Irish Free State ..	616	..	..	..	..	..	616	..
Japan ..	1,819	1,243	..	..	..	..	3,062	4,036
Madagascar ..	2,364	4,228	..	1,695	..	..	8,287	1,343
Malaya (British)	128,185	75,651	..	9,712	66,551	..	280,099	294,737
Malta ..	..	2,111	..	..	6,083	..	8,194	41,499
Mauritius ..	312	41,139	..	8,694	408	..	50,553	23,283
Netherlands ..	1,589	333	..	..	672	..	2,594	3,718
Netherlands East Indies ..	137,451	223,153	..	12,730	56,623	..	429,957	384,926
New Zealand ..	8,171	10,041	..	..	..	..	18,212	35,438
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	25,324	..	..	..	..	..	25,324	25,104
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	652	509	..	..	..	..	1,161	1,328
Nauru ..	..	488	..	..	..	..	488	469
New Caledonia ..	22,128	..	..	..	..	..	22,128	25,064
New Hebrides ..	5,083	..	..	..	..	..	5,083	4,948
Samoa (British) ..	5,717	..	..	..	..	..	5,717	4,475
Samoa (American) ..	803	..	..	..	..	..	803	630
Society Islands ..	3,005	..	..	..	..	..	3,005	746
Solomon Islands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Territory of New Guinea ..	746	..	..	..	..	..	746	826
Tonga ..	2,407	..	5	..	..	..	2,412	2,579
Other Islands ..	7,237	518	..	282	..	..	8,037	6,174
Palestine ..	560	..	..	..	..	..	560	623
Papua ..	..	9,527	..	..	..	..	9,527	4,530
Philippine Islands ..	3,532	..	51	..	..	..	3,583	4,612
Réunion Island ..	34,088	5,379	..	..	..	..	39,467	50,188
Siam ..	11,964	5,851	..	..	..	..	5,851	..
South African Union ..	..	25,433	..	..	..	..	37,397	13,016
Sudan ..	1,020	108,243	..	29,705	7,298	..	146,266	133,638
Syria ..	11,677	7,984	..	..	135	..	19,796	4,050
Other Countries ..	22,750	11,091	..	..	..	..	33,841	12,312
Total six months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1928-29 ..	914,789	998,810	56	432,658	420,783	47	2,767,143	..
1927-28 ..	631,901	1,031,271	187	419,146	466,002	..	..	2,548,507

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,318,903	271,011	24,444	401,779	931,450	..	2,947,587	2,170,933
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders)	85,874	..	..	..	..	..	85,874	101,768
Africa, French West	28,043	..	..	..	..	..	28,043	30,970
Asia Minor	100,433	..	..	45,534	56,042	..	202,009	59,631
Belgium	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canary Islands (for orders)	1,017	1,133	..	..	..	..	2,150	967,194
Ceylon	..	676	..	..	..	..	676	631
Egypt	154,469	41,539	..	22,122	110,243	..	328,373	519,272
France	111,980	..	..	22,400	44,820	..	179,200	..
France (for orders)	..	..	..	22,400	..	..	..	218,898
Germany	69,097	..	..	..	..	..	91,497	63,068
Guam (for orders)	..	..	..	..	843,100	..	843,100	1,139,195
India	1,218,213	1,240,320	..	972,475	827,940	..	4,258,948	275,262
Italy	233,048	33,746	..	4,427	574,995	..	846,216	589,486
Japan	72,426	22,317	..	..	..	..	94,743	185,259
Malta	44,859	..	..	..	..	..	44,859	11,075
Netherlands	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	102,869
New Zealand	103,695	7,031	..	..	..	..	110,726	142,071
Palestine	22,153	..	..	..	..	..	22,153	..
Peru	168,089	..	..	156,801	..	..	324,890	257,204
Port Said (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63,608
South African Union	35,961	385,026	..	250,630	311,234	..	982,851	1,258,010
Suez (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	181,599
Syria	68,390	33,536	..	..	..	..	101,926	22,126
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,200
Other Countries	2,911	380	12	..	256	..	3,559	2,630
Total six months—								
1928-29 ..	3,839,561	2,036,715	24,456	1,898,568	3,700,080	..	11,499,380	..
1927-28 ..	1,339,861	854,530	34,081	2,770,647	3,330,840	..	..	8,329,959

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	£ 534,959	£ 115,868	£ 9,845	£ 178,974	£ 429,186	..	£ 1,268,832	£ 1,008,310
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders)	35,024	..	..	..	..	..	35,024	47,123
Africa, French West	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Asia Minor ..	12,670	..	..	..	..	..	12,670	14,918
Belgium ..	52,169	..	..	20,834	26,321	..	99,324	28,334
Canary Islands (for orders) ..	466	483	..	..	..	..	949	455,380
Ceylon ..	..	307	..	..	..	..	307	322
Egypt ..	70,089	18,122	..	10,887	47,302	..	147,300	252,953
France ..	43,334	..	..	10,267	21,476	..	75,077	..
France (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	101,811
Germany ..	26,529	..	..	10,267	..	..	36,796	30,168
Guam (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	377,841	..	377,841	518,401
India ..	505,641	538,257	..	402,516	372,883	..	1,819,297	133,033
Italy ..	91,708	14,022	..	1,752	237,893	..	345,375	290,929
Japan ..	29,339	8,951	..	..	..	..	38,290	90,211
Malta ..	18,898	..	..	..	..	..	18,898	5,192
Netherlands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41,087
New Zealand ..	45,570	3,052	..	..	..	..	48,622	68,470
Palestine ..	9,292	..	..	..	..	..	9,292	..
Peru ..	72,159	..	..	69,689	..	..	141,848	121,735
Port Said (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32,096
South African Union ..	14,899	163,302	..	108,101	144,699	..	431,001	590,922
Suez (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	62,757
Syria ..	28,009	14,626	..	..	..	..	42,635	10,663
Turkey ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,318
Other Countries ..	1,425	169	10	..	101	..	1,705	1,327
Total six months—								
1928-29 ..	£ 1,593,080	£ 877,159	£ 9,855	£ 813,287	£ 1,657,702	..	£ 4,951,083	..
1927-28 ..	650,684	411,830	16,430	1,287,656	1,544,865	..	..	3,911,465

SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	336,037	257,841	104,419	103,497	105,802	3,205	910,801	1,096,945
Belgium ..	254,718	73,763	101,243	35,915	25,062	..	490,701	424,633
Canada ..	1,280	..	..	..	..	..	1,280	956
Czecho-Slovakia ..	1,308	258	448	..	..	..	2,014	328
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
France ..	382,453	239,311	112,676	93,660	60,022	..	888,122	912,893
Germany ..	262,827	58,220	123,704	59,858	26,321	..	530,930	616,426
India ..	..	5,781	..	7,401	..	..	13,182	1,746
Italy ..	91,337	67,222	63,487	8,795	4,160	..	235,001	208,937
Japan ..	265,764	77,901	64,830	34	..	..	408,529	472,337
Netherlands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	586
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	92
Russia ..	41,125	33,914	15,675	25,738	..	..	116,452	35,594
Spain ..	88	..	45	..	..	..	..	133
Sweden ..	3,272	408	1,791	..	..	..	5,471	5,197
Switzerland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	196
United States of America ..	20,480	32,959	887	346	842	..	55,514	106,354
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	1,659,409	848,858	589,205	335,244	222,209	3,205	3,658,130	..
1927-28 ..	1,791,503	749,591	548,490	428,453	361,961	3,225	..	3,883,223

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	2,581,331	2,079,035	872,000	705,207	743,202	28,183	7,008,958	9,104,448
Belgium ..	1,505,113	462,381	653,404	180,394	138,634	..	2,039,926	2,863,415
Canada ..	11,271	..	..	..	..	..	11,271	9,007
Czecho-Slovakia ..	10,260	2,427	3,380	..	..	..	16,067	2,589
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
France ..	2,574,586	1,602,105	702,466	544,122	394,034	..	5,877,313	6,679,274
Germany ..	1,971,845	451,563	945,875	404,975	193,494	..	3,967,752	4,956,728
India ..	..	39,321	..	43,518	..	..	82,839	11,151
Italy ..	690,722	517,000	480,371	52,777	27,379	..	1,768,249	1,715,260
Japan ..	2,260,222	634,673	574,583	266	..	..	3,469,744	4,183,863
Netherlands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,963
New Zealand ..	359,268	297,460	121,258	191,556	..	..	969,542	1,038
Poland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	326,438
Russia ..	745	..	867	..	..	..	..	..
Spain ..	24,821	2,823	13,687	..	..	..	40,831	45,381
Sweden ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,783
Switzerland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America ..	179,132	314,794	7,625	2,269	7,691	..	511,511	1,087,640
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	12,157,545	6,414,853	4,435,016	2,125,084	1,504,434	28,183	26,665,115	..
1927-28 ..	14,366,443	6,324,085	4,498,045	2,974,833	2,801,128	29,359	..	30,993,893

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	34,831	38,399	43,668	11,156	2,291	257	130,602	107,885
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,114	.
Belgium	19,284	2,545	6,068	1,236	261	.	29,394	28,447
Canada	279	72	599	.	.	.	950	292
" (a)	1,485	.	.	.	.	.	1,485	597
China	.	26	.	.	.	.	26	.
Czecho-Slovakia	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	253
Denmark	.	.	26	.	.	.	26	.
Finland	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	233
France	21,866	5,887	4,889	771	110	.	33,523	55,212
Germany	12,286	547	6,256	57	.	.	19,146	50,765
Hong Kong	14	.	.	.	.	.	14	.
India	.	1,387	.	.	112	.	1,499	110
Italy	931	1,150	1,334	12	110	.	3,546	1,004
Japan	3,922	976	52	.	.	.	4,950	6,252
" (a)	1,599	1,763	.	.	.	.	3,362	14,496
Mexico	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	336
Netherlands	.	127	.	.	.	.	127	236
New Zealand	45	79	.	.	.	.	124	194
" (a)	.	72	.	.	.	.	72	.
Norway	51	.	.	.	.	.	51	.
Philippine Islands	.	46	.	.	.	.	46	.
Russia	3,014	2,723	2,504	189	.	.	8,430	6,521
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	210
United States of America	227	2,128	43	.	.	.	2,398	1,932
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	250
Total six months—								
1928-29	99,834	57,936	65,439	13,421	2,884	257	239,771	
1927-28	146,581	51,603	57,210	16,867	3,814	264	..	276,339

(a) Tops.

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	£ 438,698	£ 498,096	£ 592,117	£ 142,065	£ 27,481	£ 2,200	£ 1,700,657	£ 1,290,032
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	21,608	.
Belgium	202,065	27,949	75,876	16,688	2,762	.	325,340	304,487
Canada	4,000	956	10,560	.	.	.	16,516	3,235
" (a)	31,369	.	.	.	.	.	31,369	12,679
China	.	507	.	.	.	.	507	.
Czecho-Slovakia	.	"	414	.	.	.	414	4,157
Denmark	.	"	.	.	.	.	.	.
Finland	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,376
France	255,743	62,158	67,648	7,986	1,160	.	394,695	693,464
Germany	175,632	8,462	95,595	659	.	.	280,348	775,298
Hong Kong	.	164	.	.	.	.	164	.
India	.	13,317	.	.	1,681	.	14,998	785
Italy	9,775	14,994	22,402	151	1,857	.	49,179	11,082
Japan	38,905	12,366	771	.	.	.	52,042	62,075
" (a)	37,224	32,447	.	.	.	.	69,671	261,092
Mexico	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,540
Netherlands	.	1,590	.	.	.	.	1,590	3,489
New Zealand	671	958	.	.	.	.	1,620	2,226
" (a)	.	1,449	.	.	.	.	1,449	.
Norway	397	.	.	.	.	.	397	.
Philippine Islands	.	662	.	.	.	.	662	.
Russia	38,636	38,215	41,427	2,953	.	.	121,231	112,627
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,400
United States of America	3,517	32,564	297	.	.	.	36,378	24,295
" (a)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,630
Total six months—								
1928-29	£ 1,236,796	£ 746,690	£ 907,107	£ 170,502	£ 34,941	£ 2,200	£ 3,098,236	£ 3,602,577
1927-28	£ 1,916,689	£ 667,962	£ 791,255	£ 177,230	£ 46,941	£ 2,500	..	£ 3,602,577

(a) Tops.

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	7,057	3,812	528,845	..	10,110	..	549,824	415,831
Austria	..	..	155,803	..	60,243	..	216,046	7,893
Belgium	..	..	2,573	..	..	..	13,584	202,148
Canada	11,011	..	3,075	..	..	..	3,349	2,948
Ceylon	274	..	2,033	..	..	..	2,033	..
China	..	..	83,493	..	..	..	29,369	44,923
Egypt	..	546	28,823	..	..	..	83,493	4,534
France	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70,171
Germany	..	..	6,923	..	..	..	6,923	3,200
Gibraltar	..	..	1,610	..	..	..	2,134	6,682
Hong Kong	524	..	26,085	..	..	..	26,085	4,948
Italy	..	1,614	30,390	..	..	..	32,005	12,874
Japan	1	..	15,054	..	..	..	15,741	9,068
Malaya (British)	687	..	18,400	..	..	..	18,400	14,115
Malta	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Netherlands East Indies	25	..	790	..	2,175	..	2,990	1,562
Pacific Islands—Hawaiian Is.	13,212	..	..	..	..	..	13,212	9,738
Nauru	2	153	..	..	..	..	155	57
Solomon Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	90	..
Territory of New Guinea	602	..	..	..	..	..	602	744
Other Islands	17	60	..	..	..	..	77	76
Panama	..	..	26	..	..	..	..	7,425
Papua	93	..	..	..	..	..	119	111
Philippine Islands	2,222	..	39,727	..	..	..	41,949	41,104
Sudan	180	..	..	..	..	..	180	..
United States of America	3,135	..	..	..	..	..	3,135	112
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	39,132	6,185	943,650	..	72,528	..	1,061,495	..
1927-28 ..	21,964	6,135	741,942	..	90,609	..	..	860,650

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	12,787	6,600	769,651	..	14,242	..	803,280	587,902
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	279,140	9,496
Belgium	..	..	209,066	..	70,074	..	29,369	251,184
Canada	24,472	..	4,897	..	..	..	7,770	5,741
Ceylon	729	..	7,041	..	..	..	3,976	..
China	..	..	3,976	..	..	..	48,807	64,986
Egypt	..	1,051	47,756	..	..	..	..	6,044
France	..	..	..	..	..	..	120,931	82,873
Germany	..	..	120,931	..	..	..	10,912	6,341
Gibraltar	..	..	10,912	..	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong	1,469	..	2,866	..	..	..	4,335	10,289
Italy	..	..	35,056	..	..	..	35,056	6,181
Japan	2	1,897	43,848	..	..	..	45,747	18,208
Malaya (British)	1,872	..	26,867	..	..	..	28,739	16,202
Malta	..	..	30,103	..	..	..	30,103	20,593
Netherlands East Indies	80	..	1,231	..	3,624	..	4,935	2,365
Pacific Islands—Hawaiian Is.	21,208	..	..	..	..	..	21,208	15,513
Nauru	8	418	..	..	..	..	426	154
Solomon Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	301	..
Territory of New Guinea	1,849	..	..	..	..	..	1,849	2,553
Other Islands	62	153	..	..	..	..	215	180
Panama	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,988
Papua	282	..	79	..	..	..	361	290
Philippine Islands	4,575	..	59,285	..	..	..	63,860	58,284
Sudan	430	..	..	..	..	..	430	293
United States of America	7,858	..	..	..	..	..	7,858	950
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	77,484	10,119	1,373,565	..	87,940	..	1,549,108	..
1927-28 ..	38,214	10,142	1,017,979	..	112,225	..	..	1,178,560

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Belgium ..	141,831	384,451	20,732	10,939	..	..	557,953	232,334
Canada ..	328	3,266	525	..	..	..	4,119	3,436
Ceylon ..	6,636	2,913	..	..	..	..	9,549	3,061
Egypt ..	1,595	652	..	..	..	..	2,247	1,846
France ..	..	2,118	..	..	..	..	2,118	1,767
Germany ..	3	688	..	..	..	..	691	3,450
Gibraltar ..	..	489	..	..	..	..	489	932
Hong Kong ..	1,767	..	..	..	..	..	1,767	2,414
Japan ..	211	..	108	..	..	..	319	494
Malaya (British) ..	3,232	1,272	1,290	..	..	..	5,794	5,880
Malta ..	947	2,064	..	..	..	..	3,011	1,636
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	194	..	..	..	..	..	194	48
Hawaiian Islands ..	2,077	..	..	..	..	..	2,077	2,271
Territory of New Guinea ..	370	..	..	..	..	..	370	247
Papua ..	102	..	22	..	..	..	124	126
Philippine Islands ..	882	..	34	..	..	..	916	720
United States of America ..	674	..	..	..	..	..	674	132
Other Countries ..	136	66	70	..	..	..	272	147
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	160,985	398,568	22,781	10,939	..	..	593,273	
1927-28 ..	140,581	164,696	198	3,527	2,272	..	..	311,274

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Belgium ..	348,097	984,491	38,484	31,749	..	..	1,402,821	721,419
Canada ..	608	5,769	900	..	..	..	7,277	6,286
Ceylon ..	17,618	9,521	..	..	..	..	27,139	7,866
Egypt ..	3,646	1,680	..	..	..	..	5,326	4,990
France ..	..	5,440	..	..	..	..	5,440	4,589
Germany ..	8	1,010	..	..	..	..	1,018	5,621
Gibraltar ..	..	938	..	..	..	..	938	1,698
Hong Kong ..	1,178	..	..	..	..	..	1,178	589
Japan ..	4,530	..	..	..	..	..	4,530	5,746
Malaya (British) ..	651	..	227	..	..	..	878	1,071
Malta ..	9,322	3,821	2,619	..	..	..	15,762	16,950
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	2,024	4,619	..	..	..	..	6,643	2,045
Hawaiian Islands ..	446	..	..	..	..	..	446	106
Territory of New Guinea ..	6,272	..	..	..	..	..	6,272	6,026
Papua ..	1,052	..	..	..	..	..	1,052	597
Philippine Islands ..	232	..	56	..	..	..	288	232
United States of America ..	2,443	..	71	..	..	..	2,514	1,878
Other Countries ..	1,995	..	147	..	..	..	1,995	270
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	399,231	1,018,631	42,504	31,749	..	..	1,492,115	
1927-28 ..	314,945	455,596	375	9,716	7,675	..	..	788,307

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4,772	2,739	9,665	..	2,618	..	19,794	14,829
Africa, British West	..	..	36	..	..	..	36	288
Canada	412	..	..	4	..	..	412	201
Ceylon	137	209	..	1	..	..	350	485
Hong Kong	521	..	360	..	..	..	522	..
France	..	..	240	..	..	..	360	..
Germany	..	..	240	..	..	..	240	..
India	..	93	2	..	..	..	95	501
Malaya (British)	251	65	48	..	1	..	365	408
Netherlands East Indies	..	831	67	75	..	..	973	2,353
Pacific Islands—Fiji	268	..	..	..	..	..	268	308
Gilbert and Ellice Island Colony	96	1	..	..	..	..	97	138
Nauru	112	32	..	..	..	..	144	23
New Hebrides	829	..	..	..	..	..	829	1,442
Samoa (British)	127	..	..	..	..	..	127	280
Solomon Islands Territory of New Guinea	1,873	3	2	..	..	..	1,878	1,433
Papua	3,810	10	42	..	..	..	3,862	5,415
South African Union	375	..	59	..	..	..	434	1,062
Other Countries	106	3	..	..	..	..	109	69
	56	16	1	..	..	..	73	121
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	14,576	3,238	10,535	..	2,619	..	30,968	..
1927-28 ..	14,546	1,486	7,045	..	6,279	..	..	29,356

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Six months.	
							1928-29.	1927-28.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	£ 11,236	£ 8,647	£ 35,616	..	£ 5,610	..	£ 61,109	£ 31,829
Africa, British West	..	..	164	..	..	..	164	1,152
Canada	£ 1,390	..	..	..	..	..	£ 1,390	£ 771
Ceylon	516	1,055	34	..	..	..	£ 1,605	2,105
Hong Kong	£ 1,475	..	7	..	..	..	£ 1,482	..
France	..	..	1,458	..	..	..	£ 1,458	..
Germany	..	..	935	..	..	..	935	..
India	..	463	13	..	..	..	476	2,071
Malaya (British)	925	228	455	..	5	..	£ 1,613	2,237
Netherlands East Indies	2,943	266	684	..	..	..	3,893	8,245
Pacific Islands—Fiji	946	..	..	..	..	..	946	1,063
Gilbert and Ellice Island Colony	399	9	..	..	..	..	408	502
Nauru	589	41	..	..	..	..	630	95
New Hebrides	2,884	..	..	..	..	..	2,884	5,241
Samoa (British)	452	..	..	..	..	..	452	897
Solomon Islands Territory of New Guinea	5,725	19	8	..	..	..	5,752	4,941
Papua	£ 12,829	57	290	..	..	..	£ 13,176	£ 19,892
South African Union	1,437	..	354	..	..	..	1,791	4,075
Other Countries	329	17	..	..	..	..	346	314
	249	70	8	..	..	..	327	549
Total, six months—								
1928-29 ..	£ 44,324	£ 10,872	£ 40,026	..	£ 5,615	..	£ 100,837	..
1927-28 ..	£ 50,416	£ 5,641	£ 17,331	..	£ 12,591	..	..	£ 85,970

Section IV.—Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

RECEIPTS, 1923-24 TO 1927-28.

Sources of Revenue.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (b)
TAXATION—					
Customs	£ 25,177,882	£ 26,405,161	£ 27,839,889	£ 31,832,600	£ 29,848,379
Excise	10,572,902	10,787,620	11,358,989	11,719,878	11,598,351
Land Tax	2,030,127	2,519,711	2,521,910	2,615,900	3,027,206
Probate and Succession Duties	1,320,911	1,381,051	1,411,336	1,362,351	1,752,118
Income Tax	11,057,555	11,136,344	10,858,046	11,126,278	10,165,175
Entertainment Tax	622,460	680,586	460,326	366,159	358,865
War-Time Profits Tax	70,646	Dr. 74,783	Dr. 77,491	Dr. 28,357	Dr. 112,236
Total Taxation	50,852,483	52,835,690	54,373,005	58,994,809	56,637,858
Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones ..	9,757,021	10,044,486	10,771,756	11,606,819	12,304,142
Patents, Trade Marks, etc. ..	37,769	39,026	42,017	41,594	44,258
Colnage	151,682	107,275	382,014	373,071	203,262
Defence, Including Balance of Trust Account	356,273	146,491	180,662	152,494	132,877
Quarantine	38,445	36,599	30,553	40,451	31,547
Marine	193,693	220,675	211,998	216,781	212,490
Northern Territory	30,658	38,720	41,973	34,385	23,182
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway ..	215,945	254,291	276,278	299,295	330,000
Darwin-Katherine River Railway ..	16,461	29,106	38,879	62,202	68,844
Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway ..	..	..	27,035	105,988	191,115
Sugar	17,241	40,000	6,243	..	..
Interest on Loans, Advances, etc. ..	4,349,532	5,062,450	6,008,393	6,240,346	6,490,657
Miscellaneous .. .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	66,017,203	68,854,809	72,285,806	78,168,235	76,670,222
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—					
Taxation	£ 8 16 11	£ 8 19 11	£ 9 1 6	£ 9 13 1	£ 9 1 8
Total Revenue	11 9 8	11 14 6	12 1 3	12 15 10	12 5 11

DISBURSEMENTS, 1923-24 TO 1927-28.

Departments, etc.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28 (b)
GOVERNOR-GENERAL—					
Salary	£ 10,000	£ 10,000	£ 10,000	£ 10,000	£ 10,000
Governor-General's Establishment, etc. ..	10,931	10,835	13,615	20,369	16,613
Miscellaneous(a)	6,914	5,942	6,313	903	853
Total	27,845	26,777	29,928	31,272	27,366
PARLIAMENT—					
Salaries of Ministers	13,569	14,408	15,300	15,300	15,300
Allowances to Senators	35,312	36,135	34,769	35,635	35,635
Allowances to Members of House of Representatives .. .. ..	..	74,359	74,628	66,055	74,190
Officers, Staff, Contingencies, etc.	61,418	60,353	64,089	71,837	85,296
Repairs, Maintenance, etc.	1,894	2,284	2,281	1,832	3
Printing	24,244	24,323	28,182	24,623	37,888
Travelling Expenses of Members and Others ..	20,200	19,898	20,144	20,897	28,074
Insurance	342	342	342	45	..
Electoral Office	74,401	81,791	83,285	87,007	..
Election Expenses	721	2,951	106,704	1,685	..
Referendum .. .. ..	..	..	..	105,306	..
Administration of Electoral Act	25,576	32,487	41,568	43,702	120,361
Miscellaneous	3,976	6,707	6,700	55,515	23,822
Total	336,012	355,257	469,419	537,634	419,774

(a) Includes expenditure on cablegrams, etc., transmitted by the Governor-General on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

(b) Subject to revision.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—continued.

Departments, etc.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (e)
PRIME MINISTER—					
Salaries, Contingencies, etc.	34,800	41,623	41,483	47,475	57,749
Audit Office	35,382	36,052	33,459	36,511	34,877
Rent, Repairs, etc.	10,348	10,094	8,454	8,351	82,142
Public Service Board's Office	47,491	50,849	50,485	52,628	55,946
High Commissioner's Office	54,508	60,664	63,744	63,220	70,820
Commissioner for Australia in U.S.A.	11,489	14,875	12,270	12,966	18,808
Interest and Sinking Fund on Commonwealth Securities	542,518	608,128	626,853	772,003	818,007
Mail Service, Pacific Islands	52,953	b	b	b	b
Secretariat, League of Nations	84,620	25,500	24,893	24,975	23,994
Scientific and Industrial Research	c	c	c	11,803	258,750
Immigration	66,866	b	b	108,746	124,092
Miscellaneous	208,686	176,059	82,738	186,504	185,018
Total	1,094,661	1,023,844	944,379	1,325,182	1,625,268
HOME AND TERRITORIES—					
Chief Office	24,544	27,891	27,369	48,328	46,520
Census and Statistics	19,575	23,594	26,240	27,620	29,170
Meteorological Office	39,245	34,656	34,562	36,616	36,108
Mail Service, Pacific Islands	c	52,884	50,418	53,092	52,051
Papua	79,139	71,239	96,745	67,158	58,650
Northern Territory	212,469	145,085	147,120	126,582	108,701
Federal Capital Territory	c	10,064	10,214	43,485	100,184
New Guinea	8,500	3,500	3,945	11,077	12,829
Norfolk Island	12,854	15,035	b	4,389	4,000
Lands and Surveys	c	c	b	b	b
Interest and Sinking Fund, Commonwealth Securities	75,988	84,497	97,063	139,115	219,920
Rent, Repairs, etc.	22,615	15,319	12,074	12,310	16,579
Aid to Prospecting	c	c	100,000	100,000	c
Miscellaneous(a)	33,261	40,869	94,006	107,569	101,840
Total	522,640	524,983	609,756	777,291	781,027
ATTORNEY-GENERAL—					
Secretary's Office	17,949	19,555	21,596	26,801	17,388
Crown Solicitor's Office	19,478	21,997	22,690	24,465	28,626
Salaries of Justices of High Court	21,500	21,500	21,500	21,500	21,500
High Court Expenses	14,104	13,269	14,000	14,994	13,511
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration	12,378	11,995	12,058	23,162	26,775
Rent, Repairs, etc.	11,081	11,472	12,571	12,039	20,004
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	42,935	45,598	48,891	48,119	52,671
Miscellaneous	22,711	23,629	31,421	27,481	51,272
Total	162,136	169,015	185,427	198,511	231,697
WORKS AND RAILWAYS—					
Chief Office	34,274	33,495	35,683	15,270	82,284
Trans-Australian Railway	265,293	285,912	285,876	271,398	288,175
Commonwealth Railways, Miscellaneous	188,441	131,238	213,898	213,362	265,538
Lands and Survey	c	c	13,952	17,143	d
Interest and Sinking Fund on Commonwealth Securities	150,092	369,979	472,674	578,830	685,244
Main Roads Development	c	500,000	750,000	c	c
Miscellaneous	31,231	14,643	39,015	26,069	7,935
Total	669,331	1,335,267	1,811,098	1,122,072	1,267,174
TREASURY—					
Treasury	51,007	54,413	51,808	52,585	53,418
Old-age Pensions—Salaries, etc.	88,405	92,999	97,761	114,446	117,071
Rent, Repairs, etc.	22,993	13,085	15,305	10,209	16,371
Coinage	16,273	23,836	54,905	45,068	43,008
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	6,523,881	6,992,905	8,252,387	9,144,589	9,700,846
Taxation Office	516,887	463,176	426,425	416,889	452,737
Maternity Allowance	670,175	688,205	680,855	660,280	678,920
Miscellaneous	144,859	77,666	60,963	58,466	94,478
Total	8,034,480	8,406,285	9,640,409	10,503,432	11,246,349
POSTMASTER-GENERAL—					
Chief Office	46,685	48,643	51,660	66,504	80,406
Posts, Telegraphs, and Telephones	8,121,381	8,950,694	8,705,960	9,115,787	9,793,525
Audit (proportion)	10,663	10,630	10,009	10,359	11,149
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	121,435	141,615	161,654	185,992	195,604
Rent, Repairs, etc.	138,092	174,012	195,464	199,119	219,907
Interest and Sinking Fund	749,638	982,446	1,526,795	1,704,570	1,959,724
Miscellaneous	85,600	398	383	3,568	132,661
Total	9,273,494	10,288,438	10,651,925	11,285,899	12,392,976

(a) Includes cost of Census, £12,670 in 1923-24, and £11,999, in 1924-25. (b) Transferred to other Departments. (c) Included in another Department. (d) Included in Chief Office. (e) Subject to revision.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—continued.

Departments, etc.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (e)
TRADE AND CUSTOMS—					
Chief Office .. .	72,238	78,159	79,813	82,410	69,020
Customs (Ordinary) .. .	503,150	531,189	551,101	566,223	563,055
Analyst .. .	6,039	5,854	(c)	(c)	(c)
Fisheries .. .	22	39	244	..	..
Audit (proportion) .. .	10,970	10,552	11,080	12,487	10,045
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. .	25,863	33,283	34,091	35,145	36,618
Rent, Repairs, etc. .. .	22,616	32,191	26,148	19,102	24,251
Bounties .. .	455,859	304,548	498,582	781,347	890,574
Lighthouses .. .	169,045	184,208	199,057	230,439	280,225
Navigation .. .	39,927	44,484	44,726	44,872	(d)
Fruit Pools—Loans and Advances .. .	14,940	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Miscellaneous .. .	307,149	73,678	97,012	105,399	126,305
Total .. .	1,627,818	1,298,275	1,541,864	1,877,424	2,000,102
DEFENCE—					
Chief Office .. .	23,210	28,795	25,515	27,109	24,183
Military .. .	1,289,171	1,269,799	1,307,815	1,299,454	1,284,886
Audit (proportion) .. .	12,236	6,862	6,162	7,052	6,272
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. .	8,608	5,868	11,698	13,568	16,551
Rent, Repairs, etc. .. .	70,521	76,917	61,488	64,898	51,835
Miscellaneous .. .	146,709	163,226	174,871	181,227	222,202
Total .. .	1,545,455	1,551,467	1,587,549	1,593,308	1,605,429
NAVY OFFICE—					
Chief Office .. .	73,435	74,643	78,898	82,366	88,624
Naval .. .	1,016,384	1,842,987	1,943,911	2,003,639	1,980,860
Audit (proportion) .. .	4,933	2,612	2,463	2,381	2,465
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. .	1,747	1,698	2,186	1,653	2,544
Rent, Repairs, etc. .. .	37,350	36,365	50,451	54,720	56,707
Miscellaneous .. .	50,570	58,149	58,705	67,956	75,957
Total .. .	2,084,419	2,016,404	2,186,114	2,212,715	2,152,217
AIR SERVICES—					
Pay, Contingencies, etc. .. .	165,119	164,016	206,637	324,017	311,906
Development of Civil Aviation .. .	46,859	40,986	48,245	57,965	65,270
Rent, Repairs, etc. .. .	5,675	9,431	16,044	35,849	30,068
Miscellaneous .. .	5,004	2,111	10,238	16,074	20,944
Total .. .	222,657	216,544	281,164	434,805	428,173
HEALTH—					
Central Administration .. .	9,898	12,432	13,543	18,488	..
Salaries and Contingencies .. .	106,298	116,291	121,588	142,447	143,793
Rent, Repairs, etc. .. .	15,292	12,697	20,670	27,404	20,840
Miscellaneous .. .	36,429	46,379	20,871	18,840	198,220
Total .. .	167,917	187,799	176,672	206,679	371,358
MARKETS AND MIGRATION—					
Salaries and Contingencies .. .	..	1,529	9,989	12,871	93,494
Immigration .. .	..	63,058	98,588	(a)	(a)
Scientific and Industrial Research .. .	..	24,796	382,564	(a)	(a)
Fruit Pool Losses .. .	..	154,000	..	..	..
Assistance to Primary Production .. .	..	500,000	..	..	..
Miscellaneous .. .	..	126,334	199,573	104,520	78,532
Total .. .	b	869,717	685,714	117,391	172,026
ALL OTHER EXPENDITURE—					
New Works, etc. .. .	620,510	343,916	316,941	216,447	229,626
Payments to States .. .	7,824,588	7,535,291	7,951,727	8,262,912	9,083,188
Miscellaneous .. .	945,850	1,216,253	2,084,757	2,623,852	2,861,995
Debt Redemption .. .	4,915,755	1,500,000	1,000,000	..	..
Special Defence Provision .. .	..	988,189	3,742,745	996,729	4,215,911
Federal Aid Roads .. .	..	..	..	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total .. .	13,815,653	11,583,599	15,096,170	14,099,940	18,390,718
War Services .. .	28,770,106	28,482,761	29,171,850	29,209,083	29,008,815
Grand Total .. .	68,354,624	68,836,432	75,109,438	75,532,638	82,120,459

(a) Transferred to other Departments.

(b) Previously included in other Departments.

(c) Included in Chief Office and Customs (Ordinary).

(d) Included in Lighthouses.

(e) Subject to revision.

**SUMMARY OF COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE
AND FROM LOAN FUNDS, 1923-24 to 1927-28.**

Heading.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28 (b)
EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE—					
Ordinary Services—					
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	25,768,865	28,258,211	38,834,163	33,220,344	38,936,837
Interest on Loans ..					
Sinking Funds ..					
Other Ordinary Expenditure ..					
New Works, etc. ..	620,510	343,916	316,941	216,447	220,626
Payments to or for States—					
Surplus Revenue Act ..	7,230,538	7,388,635	7,530,615	7,672,119	..
Contribution towards—					
Interest on State Debts ..	..	..	..	..	7,584,912
Sinking Fund on State Debts ..					820,274
Special Grants to States ..	85,000	146,656	421,112	590,793	678,000
Interest, State Loans ..	945,850	1,216,253	2,084,757	2,623,852	2,861,995
Main Roads Development ..	..	500,000	750,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Assistance to Primary Production ..		500,000			
Debt Redemption ..	4,915,755	1,500,000	1,000,000	..	..
	39,584,518	39,853,671	45,937,588	46,323,555	53,111,644
War Services—					
Interest on Amount due to Imperial Government for Maintenance of Australian Troops ..	20,863,112	a20,258,230	20,698,133	20,495,082	20,220,778
Interest on Loans ..					
Sinking Fund ..					
Pensions ..	7,169,285	7,178,226	7,343,666	7,477,096	7,607,291
Repatriation ..	484,689	800,653	801,220	1,014,848	878,494
Other Services ..	273,020	245,652	328,831	322,057	302,262
	28,770,106	a28,482,761	29,171,850	29,309,088	29,008,815
Total Expenditure from Revenue ..	68,354,624	68,336,432	75,109,438	75,632,638	82,120,459
EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS—					
Ordinary Purposes—					
New Works, etc. ..	6,060,048	6,341,758	7,678,856	7,051,128	6,888,099
War Purposes ..	2,412,015	975,612	324,224	697,289	728,842
Loans to States ..	872,673	14,420,972	14,105,890	9,991,019	25,497,985
Loans to Federal Capital Commission ..	..	..	..	1,911,657	95,662
Total Expenditure from Loans ..	9,344,736	21,747,342	22,108,970	19,651,093	33,210,588
Total Expenditure for Ordinary Services and Purposes ..	46,517,239	60,625,401	65,722,334	66,277,359	85,593,390
Total Expenditure for War Purposes	31,182,121	29,458,373	29,496,074	30,006,372	29,737,657
Total Commonwealth Expenditure ..	77,699,360	90,083,774	97,218,408	95,283,731	115,331,047

(a) Excluding Debt Redemption, £1,500,000 stated above.

(b) Subject to revision.

COMMONWEALTH LOAN EXPENDITURE, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Heading.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28. (g)
Prime Minister's Department—Subscription to Capital of Refinery Company—Oil Agreement Act 1920	£ 100,000	£ 68,750	£ ..	£ ..	£ ..
London Offices	4,396	1,583	500	..	..
Shipbuilding Yards	419	..	..	..	..
Construction of Ships	620,646	162,953	..	..	Cr. 163,216
Construction of Roads	31,788	..	Cr. 46	..	..
Immigration—Passage Money of Assisted Immigrants	203,744	206,193	262,589	248,104	261,853
D. partment of Home and Territories—Federal Capital—Initial Settlement and Works	499,349	296,062	Cr. 165	..	..
Federal Capital—Acquisition of Land .. .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Federal Capital—Towards establishment .. .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Solar Observatory	1,362	6,830	14,804	Cr. 20,784	..
Purchased Properties .. .. ..	..	5,000	798	..	..
Acquisition of Land at Fairy Meadow	3,030	19,195	3	Cr. 3	..
Papua—Loan .. .. ..	..	2,000	2,000	9,496	..
Department of Defence, Military—Purchase of Land for Defence purposes generally	833	4,300	2,957	12,978	9,881
Arsenal, Factories, Stores	109,869	240,872	136,484	111,258	128,292
Air Services	21,203	6,105	133,113	145,880	107,143
Navy—Dockyard, Naval Bases, &c.	30,418	24,802	9,190	151,016	62,303
Department of Trade and Customs—Vessels for Lighthouse purposes	54,680	150,177	53,548	2,609	265
Purchase of Sites for Lighthouses .. .. ..	..	..	..	92	748
Lighthouses	29,457	18,266	13,811	22,318	22,464
Department of Works and Railways—Commonwealth Offices	14,357	19,395	12,313	566	638
Railway—Kalgoorlie—Port Augusta	62,506	52,118	69,565	88,198	54,806
Grafton—South Brisbane Railway .. .. ..	..	..	840,000	1,000,000	1,202,000
Federal Capital Territory Railway .. .. ..	..	..	..	20,500	4,424
Contribution under River Murray Waters Act	235,609	192,500	205,000	209,500	250,000
Postmaster-General's Department—Post Office Buildings	375,673	511,956	439,656	267,805	285,506
Land for Post and Telegraph purposes	47,348	41,330	33,179	49,901	11,425
Telegraphs, Telephones and Wireless	3,480,000	3,983,706	5,070,358	3,628,181	8,857,996
Subscription to Capital of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd.	62,500	62,500	75,000	50,000	50,000
Northern Territory—Railway—Darwin to Katherine River	20,420	50,535	195,123	398,764	425,875
Railway—Port Augusta to Oodnadata	33,355	211,074	91,490	399,885	731,388
Health and Laboratories	11,086	3,561	17,582	4,788	4,773
Department of Markets and Migration—Purchase of Wire Netting .. .. ..	..	..	..	250,000	80,000
Miscellaneous .. .. ..	..	..	4	76	..
Total Ordinary Loans Expenditure	6,060,048	6,341,758	7,678,856	7,051,128	6,888,099
Total War Loans Expenditure	2,412,015	975,612	324,224	697,289	728,842
Loans for Federal Capital Commission .. .. ..	..	..	..	1,911,657	95,662
Loans to States—For works and other purposes—New South Wales .. .. ..	..	..	2,912,234	..	6,521,117
Victoria .. .. ..	..	..	3,117,602	5,298,634	2,250,590
Queensland .. .. ..	..	..	1,342,879	2,518,013	2,187,580
South Australia .. .. ..	..	..	5,212,412	3,512,038	2,623,861
Western Australia .. .. ..	..	..	1,451,128	2,312,488	1,147,444
Tasmania .. .. ..	..	..	393,717	364,717	215,076
For Development and Migration (a) .. .. ..	..	..	100,000	1,566,518	531,136
	a872,673	f14,420,972	c14,105,800	d9,991,019	b25,497,985
Total Payments from Loan Funds e	9,344,736	21,747,342	22,108,970	19,651,093	33,210,588

(a) The allocation of these amounts amongst the various States is not available.

(b) In addition £99,522 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.

(c) In addition, £1,500,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.

(d) In addition £790,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.

(e) Exclusive of repayment of advances from Commonwealth Bank.

(f) In addition, £100,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.

(g) Subject to revision.

LOANS AND ADVANCES BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1928.

State.	Under Loans to States Acts.	Advances for Settling Re- turned Soldiers on the Land.	Other Advances and Loans.	Total.
New South Wales	10,017,465	9,805,983	1,447,958	21,271,406
Victoria	19,187,086	11,794,075	1,221,030	32,202,191
Queensland	18,772,108	2,700,583	1,009,033	22,481,724
South Australia	19,892,766	2,833,005	604,632	23,330,403
Western Australia	10,833,712	5,431,202	4,196,710	20,461,624
Tasmania	3,015,189	2,129,563	25,000	5,169,752
Total	81,718,326	34,694,411	8,504,363	124,917,100

NOTE.—In addition to the amounts shown above, further sums are on loan to the various States from the Australian Notes Fund which is now controlled by the Commonwealth Bank. On the 30th June, 1928, these amounts were : New South Wales, £2,000,000; Victoria, £1,682,000; Queensland, £1,490,000; South Australia, £1,176,000; Western Australia, £3,025,000; and Tasmania, £818,000.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, 30th SEPTEMBER. 1928 (a).

Items.	Public Debt.	Annual Interest Payable.
War Debt—		
Inscribed Stock and Bonds	232,902,804	12,840,421
Peace Savings Certificates	363,079	18,153
War Savings Certificates	242,422	12,121
War Savings Stamps	15,185	..
War Gratuity Bonds (Overdue)	21,764	..
Registered Stock (London)	10,885,350	644,287
Debt to British Government	83,511,617	4,123,842
Total	327,942,221	17,638,804
Deduct Loans raised for States	35,848,068	2,229,073
Total War Debt	292,094,153	15,409,731
Works and other Purposes, Including Loans raised for States and Federal Capital Commission—		
Treasury Bills	3,797,000	151,880
Inscribed Stock	41,273,573	2,217,107
Registered Stock (London)	83,079,650	4,188,982
Government Bonds (New York)	33,535,260	1,625,390
South Australian Debt transferred—		
On Account of Northern Territory	1,112,974	41,603
On Account of Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway	921,401	35,078
Properties transferred from States	11,035,447	550,106
Loans to States made from War Loans	35,848,068	2,229,073
Total, Works and Other Purposes	210,603,373	11,039,219
Total Public Debt	502,697,526	26,448,950

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	£	£
Redeemable in Australia	290,447,508	15,819,375
" London	178,714,758	9,004,185
" New York	33,535,260	1,625,390
	502,697,526	26,448,950

(a) At 30th September 1928, the amount (gross) due to the Commonwealth by the State Governments and other Administrations was £137,030,094.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.—LONDON, NEW YORK, AND AUSTRALIAN FLOTATIONS, 1924 to 1928.

Year ended 30th June—	Payable in—				Total.	
			Australia.			
	London.	New York.	Loans.	Transferred Properties.		
1924 ..	£ 142,524,394	..	£ 262,215,114	£ 10,860,591	£ 415,600,099	
1925 ..	146,117,023	..	273,972,946	10,858,093	430,948,062	
1926 ..	155,883,499	15,411,487	276,083,236	11,065,129	458,443,351	
1927 ..	152,853,126	15,365,663	281,813,405	11,035,548	461,067,742	
1928 ..	172,497,984	33,563,752	277,031,917	11,035,447	494,129,100	

COMMONWEALTH AND STATES PUBLIC DEBT, 1924 to 1928.

At 30th June—	Debt on Account of Commonwealth.			Debt on Account of States.	Total Debt.	Debt per Capita. £ s. d.
	War.	Works and other purposes.	Total.			
	£	£	£			
1924 ..	£ 316,149,348	45,815,122	361,964,470	£ 588,322,885	£ 950,287,355	163 14 10
1925 ..	311,194,196	50,878,571	362,072,767	601,064,157	963,136,924	162 8 9
1926 ..	304,546,357	70,392,357	374,938,714	639,061,929	1,014,000,643	167 15 5
1927 ..	296,905,370	a69,706,135	366,611,505	677,120,415	1,043,731,920	169 4 8
1928 ..	298,420,107	a79,363,982	372,784,089			

(a) Including debt on account of Federal Capital Commission.

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND THE PUBLIC, 1923 to 1928.

Average during—	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.		
				£	£
1923 ..	29,281,640	22,864,896	52,146,536		
1924 ..	32,113,563	23,763,249	55,876,812		
1925 ..	31,066,290	24,073,936	55,140,226		
1926 ..	26,993,291	25,146,935	52,140,226		
1927 ..	22,749,054	25,230,779	47,979,833		
1928—30th January ..	21,776,765	26,116,461	47,893,226		
27th February ..	20,345,399	25,522,827	45,868,226		
26th March ..	19,385,521	25,982,705	45,368,226		
30th April ..	19,245,503	25,522,723	44,768,226		
28th May ..	19,883,745	24,744,481	44,628,226		
25th June ..	19,540,226	24,913,000	44,453,226		
30th July ..	19,200,530	24,902,696	44,103,226		
27th August ..	18,930,255	25,172,971	44,103,226		
24th September ..	18,816,503	25,761,723	44,578,226		
29th October ..	19,566,683	25,311,543	44,878,226		
26th November ..	19,923,142	25,455,084	45,378,226		
31st December ..	20,614,308	28,043,918	48,658,226		

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AS AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	29th Dec., 1924.	28th Dec., 1925.	27th Dec., 1926.	26th Dec., 1927.	31st Dec., 1928.
	£	£	£	£	£
10/- ..	3,018,256	£ 3,132,850	3,265,890	3,386,413	£ 3,469,971
£1 ..	17,592,460	18,051,466	18,546,126	19,091,628	19,228,235
£5 ..	11,854,100	12,414,160	13,060,350	13,332,385	13,186,440
£10 ..	3,994,080	4,207,540	4,241,820	4,305,520	4,195,830
£20 ..	468,680	480,560	456,540	453,180	397,300
£50 ..	1,185,850	1,276,950	1,200,500	1,165,600	1,059,350
£100 ..	1,513,800	1,718,700	1,654,000	1,820,500	1,651,100
£1,000 ..	17,263,000	12,613,000	7,465,000	8,238,000	5,471,000
Total ..	56,890,226	53,890,226	49,890,226	51,793,226	48,658,226
Gold Reserve ..	24,904,975	26,269,417	21,982,065	21,600,553	22,281,497
Per cent. of Reserve ..	43.78	48.75	44.06	41.71	45.79

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1928.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth commenced to pay Old-age Pensions on 1.7.1909, and Invalid Pensions on 15.12.1910.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30.6.28.			Number per 10,000 of Population. ^a		Average Fortnightly Pension as at 30.6.28.		Aggregate Annual Rate of Payment. (approximate).	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.			Old-age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per head of Pop.
New South Wales ..	53,275	22,743	76,018	221	95	38 2	39 3	3,805,750	31 4
Victoria ..	40,642	16,393	57,040	233	94	38 5	38 11	2,861,560	32 9
Queensland ..	18,185	7,843	26,028	202	87	38 3	39 2	1,803,952	28 7
South Australia ..	12,253	3,323	15,581	211	57	37 8	38 9	767,598	26 4
Western Australia ..	7,713	2,866	10,579	197	73	38 1	39 1	523,320	26 5
Tasmania ..	7,299	2,939	9,638	338	108	37 5	38 11	473,200	45 0
Total ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	224	89	38 2	39 1	9,740,380	31 0

(a) Population taken as at 30th June, 1928.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1928.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.			
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependents of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.	All Pensions.	
New South Wales ..	24,760	10,446	49,936	85,142	£ 2 0 6	0 16 1	1 1 3 1 2	
Victoria ..	23,523	11,705	53,226	88,454	1 12 3	0 14 0	0 18 10	
Queensland ..	7,826	3,413	15,899	27,138	1 15 10	0 17 6	1 2 10	
South Australia ..	4,289	3,344	9,202	16,835	1 17 7	0 18 5	1 3 4	
Western Australia ..	7,551	3,387	16,557	27,495	1 18 1	0 15 8	1 1 5	
Tasmania ..	2,848	1,504	7,101	11,453	2 0 1	0 15 3	1 1 5	
London ..	1,576	4,124	3,516	9,216	2 2 11	1 3 1	1 6 6	
South Africa ..	50	34	67	151	1 16 3	1 0 0	1 5 5	
New Zealand ..	218	232	279	729	1 12 9	1 0 10	1 4 5	
Elsewhere ..	26	5	26	57	1 0 6	0 15 7	0 17 10	
Total ..	72,667	38,194	155,809	266,670	1 16 11	0 15 10	1 1 7	

WAR PENSIONS EXPENDITURE, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Place of Payment.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,443,149	2,456,746	2,551,661	2,596,130	2,663,625
Victoria ..	2,094,248	2,090,242	2,130,993	2,181,219	2,183,365
Queensland ..	767,560	782,894	774,267	810,368	825,011
South Australia ..	416,951	465,892	488,615	502,846	501,173
Western Australia ..	714,805	719,612	760,613	767,697	772,343
Tasmania ..	292,688	295,034	297,683	309,107	317,040
Elsewhere ..	331,414	336,444	343,413	391,192	428,333
Total ..	7,090,815	7,146,864	7,347,245	7,558,559	7,690,890

NOTE.—The annual liability for War Pensions at 30th June, 1928, was approximately £7,485,582.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th June, 1928, the following Claims, each for £5, were passed for payment :—

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tasmania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1924 ..	53,710	35,721	19,580	11,540	7,959	5,495	30	134,085
1925 ..	54,730	36,971	20,250	11,894	8,265	5,506	25	137,641
1926 ..	54,690	36,025	20,260	11,495	8,496	5,171	34	136,171
1927 ..	53,064	35,202	19,300	11,336	8,200	4,917	27	132,056
1928 ..	55,072	35,656	19,790	11,716	8,598	4,898	54	135,784
Total since 10.10.12 ..	829,545	550,002	308,542	184,529	128,546	86,629	631	2,088,424

FEDERAL INCOME TAX, 1927-28.(a).

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
		£	£ s. d.	%
Individuals—				
Under £201 ..	127,659	207,762	1 12 7	2.2
£201 to £500 ..	51,195	353,362	6 18 1	3.8
£501 to £1,000 ..	24,720	499,035	20 3 9	5.4
£1,001 and over ..	27,619	5,604,630	202 18 6	60.1
Total ..	231,193	6,664,789	28 16 7	71.5
Companies ..	8,169	2,660,203	325 12 11	28.5
TOTAL ALL INCOMES ..	239,362	9,324,992	38 19 2	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1926-27.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1920-21 to 1924-25.

Heading.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners	15,603	15,964	16,556	16,906	18,173
Absentee Owners	3,425	3,409	3,349	3,162	3,142
TOTAL	19,028	19,373	19,905	20,068	21,815
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—					
Resident	£ 183,964,004	£ 186,216,959	£ 192,165,733	£ 185,040,682	£ 207,828,796
Absentee	3,417,623	3,108,595	3,082,486	2,572,221	2,554,456
TOTAL	187,381,627	189,325,554	195,248,219	187,612,903	209,883,252
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	209,728,050	214,024,885	222,285,100	216,540,904	238,007,004
Absentee	3,903,708	3,575,891	2,065,962	2,910,668	2,978,754
TOTAL	213,631,758	217,600,776	225,251,071	219,460,572	240,985,758
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	1,028,076	1,112,133	973,748	1,020,109	1,256,299
Absentee Owners ..	36,405	36,286	14,947	22,498	22,819
TOTAL	1,064,481	1,148,419	988,695	1,042,602	1,279,118
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	1,449,189	1,387,423	1,144,899	987,073	978,581
Absentee Owners ..	17,171	12,594	14,267	12,199	10,945
TOTAL	1,466,360	1,400,017	1,159,166	999,272	989,526
All Land—Resident Owners ..	2,477,265	2,499,556	2,118,647	2,007,182	2,284,880
Absentee Owners ..	53,576	48,880	29,214	34,692	33,764
TOTAL	2,530,841	2,548,436	2,147,861	2,041,874	2,268,644
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs.	367,748,186	335,935,795	321,916,168	£ 62,073,820	£ 61,951,199
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	0.9570d.	1.0002d.	0.8642d.	3.8083d.	3.8834d.

(a) Exclusive of Crown Leaseholds.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Year ended 30th June—	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Received.	Fine Received.	Tax and Fine Outstanding
	£	£	£	£	£
1924	2,048,824	1,598	2,037,485	1,118	11,819
1925	2,265,244	1,529	2,252,435	1,371	12,967
1926	2,492,937	1,735	2,452,069	1,305	41,298
1927	2,419,394	2,050	2,360,893	1,322	59,229
1928	2,701,074	1,469	2,481,419	328	220,796

State Finance.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES.

REVENUE, 1927-28.

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation ..	10,725,257	6,080,871	4,978,083	3,187,021	1,296,358	1,184,528	27,402,118
Railways and Tramways	23,894,940	12,974,986	7,373,952	4,061,514	4,154,737	559,860	53,019,969
Land ..	2,276,322	399,758	1,419,913	309,023	611,121	69,672	5,085,809
Commonwealth Subsidy ..	2,978,343	2,152,615	1,180,769	721,269	783,286	645,367	8,411,649
All other Sources ..	4,324,110	5,003,001	1,815,353	3,068,076	2,962,447	553,260	17,726,247
Total Revenue ..	44,198,972	26,566,864	16,718,070	11,346,903	9,807,949	2,962,687	111,601,445
Total Revenue per head (a) ..	18 8 3	15 5 1	18 11 10	19 14 2	25 0 0	13 14 6	17 18 7

Year ended 30th June—

REVENUE, 1924 TO 1928.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1924	37,351,800	23,075,968	13,428,039	8,932,340	7,865,595	2,447,677	93,101,428
1925	38,822,588	24,304,887	14,897,256	9,733,038	8,881,446	2,762,013	98,901,228
1926	38,540,031	25,269,756	15,599,718	10,474,094	8,808,166	2,726,482	101,418,247
1927	44,149,566	27,128,700	16,147,787	10,784,897	9,750,833	3,040,220	111,002,003
1928	44,198,972	26,566,864	16,718,070	11,346,903	9,807,949	2,962,687	111,601,445

EXPENDITURE, 1927-28.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	9,852,664	7,287,880	5,079,570	4,535,877	3,188,072	1,127,284	31,070,847
Railways and Tramways (exclusive of Construction) ..	18,563,250	10,194,899	6,104,153	3,452,532	3,158,149	588,393	42,061,376
All other Expenditure ..	16,878,054	9,247,938	5,523,841	3,633,425	3,488,194	1,151,928	39,923,380
Total Expenditure ..	45,293,968	26,730,217	16,707,564	11,621,834	9,834,415	2,867,605	113,055,603
Total Expenditure per head (a) ..	18 17 5	15 7 0	18 11 7	20 3 8	25 1 5	13 5 8	18 3 3

Year ended 30th June—

EXPENDITURE, 1924 TO 1928.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1924	37,251,419	23,050,968	13,415,332	8,985,599	8,094,753	2,655,382	93,456,453
1925	39,579,058	24,170,483	14,880,288	9,680,037	8,439,844	2,675,618	99,425,328
1926	39,814,355	25,559,583	16,154,404	10,460,943	8,907,308	2,698,262	103,594,835
1927	42,690,634	27,744,903	16,490,954	11,884,947	9,722,588	2,855,077	111,339 103
1928	45,293,968	26,730,217	16,707,564	11,621,834	9,834,415	2,867,605	113,005,603

(a) Based on Population at 31st December, 1927, as the mean for the fiscal year.

STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1927-28.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
Railways and Tramways	£ 8,335,802	£ 1,651,884	£ 1,646,982	£ 2,385,581	£ 882,142	£ 37,196	£ 14,939,587
Water Supply, &c.	1,710,701	1,529,759	296,484	954,641	581,797	..	5,073,382
Harbours, Rivers, &c. ..	556,011	17,057	105,956	519,808	251,645	230,527	5,783,80 ⁵
Roads and Bridges ..	2,558,070	917,540	118,102	144,866	364,223		
Land Purchased for Settlement, and Advances ..	439,310	2,224,903	6,157,652	368,482	1,360,405	Cr. 68,073	10,482,679
Public Buildings ..	897,300	453,591	184,080	191,510	126,512	49,430	1,902,423
All other ..	Cr. 89,575	2,324,707	788,629	2,197,212	1,113,536	128,697	6,463,206
Total ..	14,407,619	9,119,441	9,297,885	6,762,100	4,680,260	377,777	44,645,082
Loan Expenditure per head (a) ..	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	6 0 1	5 4 9	10 6 10	11 14 11	11 18 7	1 15 0	7 3 5

(a) Based on Population at 31st December, 1927.

TOTAL STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1928.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
Railways and Tramways	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)
Telegraphs and Telephones	135,898,930	71,107,724	58,992,160	31,113,837	22,665,489	6,959,602	326,737,742
Water Supply, &c. ..	1,762,095	..	996,587	..	332,293	142,410	3,233,385
Harbours, Rivers, &c. ..	46,561,089	23,724,793	7,103,306	19,614,002	8,399,051	..	105,402,241
Roads and Bridges ..	21,031,026	1,280,115	3,287,033	7,250,587	5,125,795	6,359,824	60,258,705
Public Buildings ..	8,603,805	9,864,032	1,957,686	3,223,016	1,275,786		
Land Purchased for Settlement, and Advances ..	9,821,615	5,370,620	3,587,196	2,615,377	1,418,844	1,650,076	24,463,728
Defence ..	8,467,156	36,537,680	9,136,991	11,040,475	17,085,749	3,167,885	85,435,936
All other ..	1,457,536	149,323	363,085	..	..	128,224	2,098,188
Total ..	244,435,261	169,319,371	105,156,615	90,813,167	69,767,032	25,176,944	704,668,390

GROSS STATE PUBLIC DEBTS, 1924 to 1928.

Year ended June 30—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	(a) Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
1924 ..	£ 224,179,515	£ 120,946,326	£ 90,560,900	£ 70,016,829	£ 62,765,782	£ 23,732,685	£ 592,202,037
1925 ..	215,331,110	128,445,565	96,389,067	74,780,835	64,493,261	23,894,416	603,334,254
1926 ..	223,504,771	138,754,989	102,316,866	81,473,624	70,806,921	24,477,590	641,334,761
1927 ..	240,781,363	146,404,530	105,734,916	90,284,162	71,501,913	24,516,688	679,223,572
1928 ..	258,474,898	157,283,470	112,208,969	94,311,935	77,172,906	24,826,560	724,278,738

(a) Including a sum of £5,936,916 reduced to £3,784,824 at 30th June, 1928, representing transactions connected with the transfer of the State Savings Bank to the Commonwealth Savings Bank in 1920, and which did not represent additional borrowing.

NET STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1928.

Particulars.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.(a)	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
Floated Abroad ..	£ 169,244,687	£ 64,563,531	£ 72,261,272	£ 43,405,626	£ 54,536,628	£ 13,941,463	£ 386,963,420
Floated in Australia ..	89,230,211	92,719,939	39,947,697	50,906,303	22,636,278	10,885,097	306,325,531
Total Gross Debt ..	258,474,898	157,283,470	112,208,969	94,311,935	77,172,906	24,826,560	724,278,738
Sinking Funds ..	525,666	6,070,017	1,981,604	261,177	8,899,080	1,409,830	19,147,374
Total Net Debt ..	257,949,232	151,213,453	110,227,365	94,050,758	68,273,826	23,416,730	705,131,364
Total Net Debt per head (b) ..	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	106 9 2	86 8 8	120 18 0	162 15 9	170 16 3	111 5 4	112 8 5

(a) See note (a) to Table above.

(b) Based on population at 30th June, 1928.

**STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AMOUNTS AT THE VARIOUS RATES OF INTEREST
AT 30th JUNE, 1923 to 1927.**

Rate of Interest.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
7½ ..	144	144	..	..	..
7¼ ..	5,791	5,891	5,829	5,808	5,808
7 ..	2,466	2,466	2,466	2,466	2,466
£6 15s. 2d. ..	2,370	2,370	2,370	2,352	2,352
£6 14s. ..	..	519	611	594	586
6½ ..	16,307	16,317	16,287	16,285	16,238
£6 7s. ..	16,210	16,210	16,210	16,167	16,167
6½ ..	5,696	266	165	117	..
£6 3s. 6d. ..	..	..	502	502	..
£6 2s. 2d. ..	..	..	362	362	362
£6 1s. 3d. ..	..	..	386	386	386
6 ..	29,808	33,475	54,977	56,923	56,288
5½ ..	32,539	30,678	28,165	27,424	20,612
£5 13s. 2d. ..	29	29	29	29	29
5½ ..	66,574	80,311	92,709	112,527	101,586
5¾ ..	..	..	..	200	200
£5 6s. 11d. ..	8,357	8,357	8,357	8,347	8,347
£5 5s. 3d. ..	2,981	2,473	2,473	2,473	2,473
5½ ..	24,082	16,230	15,907	30,849	76,080
5¾ ..	..	..	..	..	140
5 ..	38,526	91,633	111,694	137,151	157,447
4¾ ..	1,050	350	100	200	200
4½ ..	2,406	1,336	6,586	6,836	8,036
£4 14s. 5d. ..	18,000	18,106	18,238	..	..
4½ ..	38,823	44,921	31,459	32,459	26,645
4¾ ..	874	874	778	178	141
4 ..	77,445	69,732	60,868	60,560	60,027
3¾ ..	11,584	10,028	9,787	9,053	8,551
3½ ..	102,812	93,082	70,393	63,930	63,291
3 ..	46,005	46,404	45,566	44,877	42,175
1 ..	..	..	..	2,480	2,591
Total ..	550,879	592,202	603,334	641,335	679,224
Average Rate ..	£ s. d. 4 13 0	£ s. d. 4 14 4	£ s. d. 4 16 11	£ s. d. 4 17 10	£ s. d. 4 18 2

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS (GROSS) PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1924 to 1928. (a)

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	90,273	73,752	109,237	125,788	168,004	104,957	96,968
1924 ..	100,514	73,761	109,439	132,391	174,179	111,317	102,176
1925 ..	94,778	76,874	112,708	137,637	175,241	112,760	101,905
1926 ..	96,432	81,887	116,349	145,885	188,739	116,906	106,276
1927 ..	101,569	84,801	118,213	158,143	185,699	117,767	110,342
1928 ..	106,673	89,905	123,071	163,238	193,077	117,965	115,475

(a) Based on Population at 30th June in each year.

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ACCRUED SINKING FUNDS, 1924 to 1928.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1924 ..	429,211	3,560,225	940,244	2,496,931	9,373,572	1,108,621	17,908,804
1925 ..	578,184	4,084,796	1,107,554	1,270,118	10,183,347	1,406,952	18,630,951
1926 ..	733,774	4,797,135	1,407,790	1,467,530	10,654,493	1,585,574	20,646,296
1927 ..	564,857	5,591,726	1,721,422	1,744,010	8,908,806	1,319,874	19,850,695
1928 ..	525,666	6,070,017	1,981,604	261,177	8,899,080	1,409,830	19,147,374

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST PAYABLE,
1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	9,418,959	5,574,693	3,860,045	3,124,937	2,557,748	1,091,975	25,628,357
1924 ..	10,783,185	5,740,532	4,023,575	3,393,218	2,820,425	1,181,066	27,922,001
1925 ..	10,639,953	6,182,420	4,617,534	3,710,512	2,922,254	1,171,177	29,243,850
1926 ..	11,138,065	6,805,684	4,919,092	4,103,915	3,199,753	1,206,762	31,373,271
1927 ..	12,072,138	7,190,263	5,076,442	4,538,057	3,271,669	1,203,045	33,351,614

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE,
1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1923 ..	4.758	4.702	4.386	4.774	4.373	4.867	4.652
1924 ..	4.810	4.746	4.443	4.846	4.494	4.892	4.715
1925 ..	4.941	4.813	4.791	4.962	4.531	4.901	4.847
1926 ..	4.983	4.905	4.808	5.037	4.519	4.926	4.892
1927 ..	5.014	4.912	4.801	5.026	4.576	4.907	4.910

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, 1923 to 1928.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£	£		
1923 ..	32,872,129	17,012,888	18,739,558	68,624,575
1924 ..	35,750,784	15,101,699	20,025,138	70,877,621
1925 ..	37,192,781	15,642,909	21,670,037	74,505,727
1926 ..	39,198,878	15,174,127	23,452,704	77,825,709
1927 ..	43,552,478	15,442,331	28,083,784	87,078,593
1928 ..	41,446,730	15,191,128	..	..

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS PER HEAD
1923 to 1928. (a)

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1923 ..	5 18 8	3 0 5	3 6 7	12 3 7
1924 ..	6 4 5	2 12 6	3 9 9	12 6 7
1925 ..	6 6 8	2 13 3	3 13 10	12 13 8
1926 ..	6 10 10	2 10 8	3 18 4	12 19 9
1927 ..	7 2 7	2 10 7	4 12 1	14 5 0 .
1928 ..	6 12 11	2 8 9	(b)	(b)

(a) Based on Population at 31st December immediately preceding.

(b) Not yet available.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, 1924 TO 1928.

Quarter ended 30th June	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.	
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.(a)		
				£	£	£		
1924 ..	204,830	2,652,247	4,066,234	129,383,510	178,446,400	307,829,910	314,763,221	
1925 ..	202,875	2,850,641	7,179,781	151,943,724	189,650,356	321,594,080	351,827,377	
1926 ..	201,551	3,147,320	9,595,524	184,770,643	203,543,573	338,314,216	351,258,611	
1927 ..	200,943	2,990,674	10,781,025	180,529,454	212,546,054	343,075,508	357,048,150	
1928 ..	200,826	3,827,576	14,905,684	126,580,188	232,978,934	359,554,122	378,487,708	
30/9/28 (b)	199,533	3,723,551	12,344,949	125,815,820	186,873,600	312,689,420	328,957,458	

(a) Includes ordinary and Savings Bank deposits in the Commonwealth Bank to 30th June, 1928.

(b) Excludes Savings Bank business of the Commonwealth Bank.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA, 1924 TO 1928.

Quarter ended 80th June. (a)	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Common- wealth Bank.	Land and Other Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	All other Debts due to the Banks.(b)	Total Assets,
1924 ..	£ 21,574,331	£ 577,542	£ 32,029,193	£ 6,975,048	£ 9,773,519	£ 3,004,022	£ 261,518,767	£ 335,452,422
1925 ..	27,243,394	4,486,930	37,212,490	7,201,170	7,250,671	3,106,918	261,340,527	347,842,100
1926 ..	32,403,716	284,265	34,854,599	7,380,422	6,769,501	3,275,853	285,875,650	370,844,006
1927 ..	27,278,507	196,755	29,643,371	7,404,669	5,293,257	4,319,960	321,204,579	395,346,098
1928 ..	26,384,702	218,839	31,702,533	7,619,512	5,697,578	4,283,063	388,351,836	414,847,883
(c) 30-9-28 ..	26,510,777	240,515	29,719,558	7,556,956	5,024,756	2,146,076	299,756,669	370,961,307

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Including Government and municipal securities. (c) Excludes Savings Bank business of the Commonwealth Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS, 1923 to 1928.(a)

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Terr.	N. Terr.	Total.
NUMBER OF ACCOUNTS OPEN.									
1923-24 ..	1,303,258	1,268,629	375,025	452,342	264,842	132,902	3,690	844	8,801,532
1924-25 ..	1,370,401	1,337,098	397,710	470,599	278,071	135,423	4,575	911	3,094,782
1925-26 ..	1,440,688	1,396,438	420,908	489,148	229,353	138,998	5,744	978	4,185,250
1926-27 ..	1,599,912	1,455,581	438,232	512,332	309,546	142,028	6,580	1,197	4,465,458
1927-28 ..	1,689,280	1,515,097	458,060	530,382	330,284	153,510	7,876	1,349	4,685,888
30-9-27 ..	1,631,487	1,474,322	444,708	518,225	314,225	143,982	6,858	1,326	4,535,218
30-9-28 ..	1,715,802	1,532,389	464,315	534,379	335,703	156,450	8,048	1,314	4,748,400

AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1923-24 ..	66,064	58,028	20,410	19,351	8,218	4,675	98	81	176,875
1924-25 ..	69,017	59,552	21,340	20,152	8,304	4,510	133	33	189,041
1925-26 ..	78,629	63,253	22,837	21,779	8,970	4,773	178	37	195,456
1926-27 ..	78,146	65,353	22,453	23,601	9,694	5,079	206	48	204,580
1927-28 ..	81,628	68,827	23,825	24,942	10,645	5,523	234	64	215,188
30-9-27 ..	78,184	65,340	22,882	23,733	9,858	5,101	212	65	205,325
30-9-28 ..	81,577	68,638	23,216	24,732	10,751	5,511	247	54	214,726

AVERAGE PER ACCOUNT.

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Terr.	N. Terr.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1928-24 ..	50 12	6 45	14 10	54 8	6 42	15 7	31 0	7 35	3 6 26
1924-25 ..	50 5	10 44	10 9	55 18	2 24	16 5	29 17	8 33	6 1 29
1925-26 ..	51 0	6 45	5 11	54 5	1 44	10 6	30 13	8 34	6 10 31
1926-27 ..	48 15	5 44	17 11	51 4	7 46	1 4	31 6	4 85	15 3 31
1927-28 ..	48 6	5 45	8 7	50 18	5 47	0 6	32 4	7 35	19 3 29
30-9-27 ..	47 18	5 44	6 4	51 6	8 45	15 11	31 7	6 35	8 6 30
30-9-28 ..	47 10	11 44	15 10	50 0	0 46	5 832	0 6 35	4 5 30	14 8 41

AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.(b)

1928-24 ..	29	13	4	85	7	9	24	13	3	36	11	10	22	16	1	21	18	7	24	1	10	8	9	10	80	9	7
1924-25 ..	30	7	7	35	12	10	24	19	1	37	2	1	22	11	3	21	5	8	26	14	5	8	15	0	80	17	5
1925-26 ..	31	16	10	37	6	7	25	19	5	38	19	11	23	18	2	22	15	11	27	13	5	9	13	10	92	6	10
1926-27 ..	33	1	0	97	17	1	25	2	1	41	6	10	25	3	7	23	7	11	27	7	0	11	5	6	38	3	5
1927-28 ..	33	13	9	39	6	10	22	11	8	43	3	5	26	12	8	28	4	10	29	5	1	15	4	4	84	4	10
30-9-27 ..	32	15	6	87	18	4	25	9	1	41	8	4	25	7	10	24	11	2	25	19	10	14	14	13	2	5	5
30-9-28 ..	33	9	5	39	2	2	25	7	9	42	16	2	26	13	8	28	3	8	29	14	8	12	19	8	34	0	6

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank. (b) Based on Population at end of quarter to which averages refer.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, and Motor Vehicles.

A. Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1923-24 TO 1927-28. (b)

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets.

Heading.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.
Government—					
Federal ..	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales ..	5,523 (324)	5,656 (330)	5,742 (331)	5,750 (331)	5,807
Victoria ..	4,434 (62)	4,484 (59)	4,627 (60)	4,684 (71)	4,697
Queensland ..	6,040 (1,302)	6,114 (1,319)	6,240 (1,336)	6,302 (1,410)	6,345
South Australia ..	2,452 (50)	2,452 (50)	2,499 (50)	2,528 (56)	2,527
Western Australia ..	3,629 (826)	3,733 (854)	3,865 (884)	3,918 (872)	3,977
Tasmania ..	673 (235)	673 (231)	673 (399)	658 (404)	658
Total ..	24,484 (2,709)	24,845 (2,843)	25,879 (3,060)	25,523 (3,144)	25,804
Private—					
For general traffic ..	964	961	972	968	(a)
,, special ,,	1,835	1,882	2,088	2,176	(a)
Grand Total ..	27,283	27,688	28,439	28,667	(a)

(a) Not available. (b) In this and succeeding tables of Section V. A., the particulars for 1927-28 are subject to revision.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK, 1914, and 1928.

State.	30th June, 1914.		30th June, 1928.		30th Sept., 1928.	
	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.
New South Wales ..	36,962	1,148,494	341,161	10,974,932	346,633	11,009,605
Victoria ..	30,371	1,151,823	176,160	6,015,409	177,685	5,956,615
Queensland ..	24,202	816,947	458,060	23,324,829	464,315	23,216,057
South Australia ..	7,965	317,135	64,021	2,365,059	64,107	2,315,470
Western Australia ..	10,111	277,956	89,461	2,949,438	90,960	2,977,121
Tasmania ..	32,392	885,379	66,123	1,646,894	66,482	1,634,646
Federal Capital Territory ..	715	22,761	7,066	196,017	7,175	197,098
Northern Territory ..	292	18,709	1,349	64,617	1,314	54,186
Papua and Territory of New Guinea ..	133	7,064	2,366	106,218	2,380	104,062
London ..	..	..	5,146	450,739	4,804	379,044
Total ..	143,143	4,645,268	1,210,913	48,124,152	1,225,855	47,843,904

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED, 1924 to 1928.

Period.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1924	16,266	14,117	4,081	3,442	1,883	(a) 465
1925	17,483	15,444	3,711	3,290	1,944	491
1926	18,351	15,194	3,764	3,440	1,991	494
1927	19,847	15,835	3,687	3,582	2,137	514
1928	19,767	14,590	3,759	3,140	2,152	543
1928—January	19,132	12,949	2,795	3,235	2,330	652
February	21,232	15,349	4,023	3,760	3,065	563
March	21,057	14,830	3,389	3,896	2,421	573
April	18,149	14,702	3,682	3,178	2,132	588
May	19,779	14,216	3,674	3,420	2,075	583
June	19,173	14,558	3,664	3,171	1,810	514
July	19,033	14,470	4,178	2,988	2,024	632
August	18,117	13,542	3,613	2,690	1,814	470
September	20,342	15,318	3,616	2,800	1,797	467
October	20,189	14,448	3,916	2,727	1,976	527
November	20,227	14,987	3,900	3,007	2,113	459
December	20,988	15,804	4,038	3,071	2,264	457

(a) Based on figures for six months ended 20th December, 1924.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1923-24 TO 1927-28—*continued.*

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

State.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28
	£	£	£	£	£
Federal ..	all,499,872	all,767,971	d11,965,986	d 12,302,795	12,438,895
New South Wales ..	91,792,167	98,060,216	103,674,668	111,226,149	116,221,374
Victoria (b) ..	65,880,792	67,136,069	68,888,145	70,298,673	72,282,201
Queensland ..	47,367,439	49,453,595	51,555,649	54,496,012	56,281,445
South Australia (c) ..	21,410,602	23,637,283	25,529,866	28,120,046	26,021,454
Western Australia ..	18,967,443	19,643,517	20,327,456	20,855,604	21,403,256
Tasmania ..	6,374,784	6,416,194	6,450,185	6,486,109	6,483,281
Total ..	263,293,099	276,114,845	288,391,955	303,785,388	311,131,906

(a) Exclusive of rolling stock for Federal Capital Territory and Central Australia lines.

(b) Exclusive of 11,67 miles from Mount Gambier to Victorian border.

(c) Exclusive of 12,53 miles from Murrayville to South Australian border.

(d) Excludes cost of rolling stock, Federal Capital Territory line.

Government.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Federal ..	..	..	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales ..	..	..	5,460	5,571	5,722	5,747
Victoria ..	..	..	4,369	4,448	4,528	4,627
Queensland ..	..	..	5,960	6,078	6,145	6,259
South Australia ..	..	..	2,416	2,452	2,491	2,523
Western Australia ..	..	..	3,593	3,669	3,837	3,906
Tasmania ..	..	..	668	667	673	658
Total ..	..	..	24,199	24,618	25,129	25,453
						25,717

TRAFFIC TRAIN MILES RUN (a)—'000 OMITTED.

Federal ..	..	..	763	814	732	832	966
New South Wales ..	..	..	21,583	23,305	24,625	26,326	26,896
Victoria ..	..	..	16,595	17,482	17,576	18,031	17,695
Queensland ..	..	..	10,889	12,108	12,866	11,906	11,655
South Australia ..	..	..	6,187	6,653	6,846	6,960	6,503
Western Australia ..	..	..	4,636	4,843	4,863	5,274	5,730
Tasmania ..	..	..	1,386	1,359	1,342	1,303	1,417
Total ..	..	..	62,039	66,564	68,850	70,632	70,862

(a) Exclusive of "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

GROSS EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Federal ..	..	..	353	409	412	499	600
New South Wales ..	..	..	15,617	16,770	16,939	18,907	19,029
Victoria ..	..	..	11,959	12,759	12,671	13,652	12,821
Queensland ..	..	..	5,714	7,109	7,437	7,325	7,382
South Australia ..	..	..	3,929	4,013	4,238	4,062	3,941
Western Australia ..	..	..	3,227	3,359	3,337	3,608	3,858
Tasmania ..	..	..	586	548	545	539	555
Total ..	..	..	41,385	44,967	45,579	48,592	48,186

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1923-24 TO 1927-28—continued.

Government.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	475	497	521	472	537
New South Wales	10,918	11,940	12,520	13,796	14,756
Victoria	8,718	9,430	9,548	10,193	9,813
Queensland	4,991	5,425	6,460	6,495	6,106
South Australia	2,901	2,936	7,081 ^a	5,798 ^a	3,661
Western Australia	2,298	2,355	2,509	2,686	2,911
Tasmania	550	531	504	551	574
Total	30,851	33,114	39,143	39,991	38,358

(a) Includes accumulated and deferred charges (1925-26, £3,982,314, and 1926-27, £1,962,079).

NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Federal	— 122	— 88	— 109	27	63
New South Wales	4,699	4,830	4,419	5,111	4,273
Victoria	3,241	3,329	3,123	3,459	3,008
Queensland	723	1,684	977	830	1,275
South Australia	1,028	1,077	— 2,843	— 1,736	281
Western Australia	929	1,004	828	922	947
Tasmania	36	17	41	— 12	— 19
Total	10,534	11,853	6,436	8,601	9,828

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.

	%	%	%	%	%
Federal	—1.06	—0.74	—0.91	0.22	0.50
New South Wales	5.12	4.93	4.26	4.59	3.68
Victoria	4.92	4.96	4.54	4.92	4.16
Queensland	1.53	3.40	1.90	1.52	2.27
South Australia	4.80	4.56	—11.14	—6.17	1.08
Western Australia	4.90	5.11	4.07	4.42	4.43
Tasmania	0.55	0.26	0.63	—0.18	—0.29
Total	4.00	4.32	2.23	2.83	3.16

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,735	5,750	4,640	6,341	2,528	3,978	658	25,630
<i>a</i> Revenue—								
<i>a</i> Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	57	1,956	1,460	554	292	246	40	4,605
<i>a</i> Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	70	3,043	1,320	1,329	716	589	84	7,151
<i>a</i> Miscellaneous £	24	(d)	194	32	39	49	3	341
<i>a</i> Total Revenue £	151	4,999	2,974	1,915	1,047	884	127	12,097
<i>a</i> Expenditure ..	127	3,780	2,419	1,614	950	699	124	9,713
<i>a</i> Train miles run ..	240	6,849	4,387	2,994	1,783	1,366	323	17,942
Earnings per train mile ..	12s. 7d.	14s. 7d.	13s. 7d.	12s. 10d.	11s. 9d.	12s. 11d.	7s. 10d.	13s. 6d.
Expenditure per train mile ..	10s. 7d.	11s. 1d.	11s. 1d.	10s. 10d.	10s. 8d.	10s. 3d.	7s. 8d.	10s. 10d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings ..	84.43 ^b	75.62	81.33	84.31	90.69	79.01	97.54	80.29
<i>a</i> Passenger Journeys, No. ..	41	36,592	42,115	6,137	5,810	4,018	534	95,247
<i>a</i> Coal and Coke carried, tons ..	5	2,238	139	174	114	150	93	2,913
<i>a</i> Other Minerals carried, tons ..	4	686	(c)	132	240	213	(b)	1,275
<i>a</i> Live stock carried, tons ..	38	217	154	113	38	616	5	1,181
<i>a</i> Other Goods carried ..	13	1,421	1,707	999	548	23	117	4,828
<i>a</i> Total Freight carried ..	60	4,562	2,000	1,418	940	1,002	215	10,197

(a) ,000 omitted. (b) Included with Coal and Coke. (c) Included with Other Goods.

(d) Included with Coaching and Goods.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—*continued.*

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1928.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open ..	1,733	5,869	4,697	6,393	2,541	3,977	658	25,868
<i>a</i> Revenue—								
<i>a</i> Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	62	2,207	1,427	626	254	239	38	4,853
<i>a</i> Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	71	2,620	1,336	1,484	547	594	77	6,729
<i>a</i> Miscellaneous £	26	(d)	194	26	44	45	4	339
<i>a</i> Total Revenue £	159	4,827	2,957	2,136	845	878	119	11,921
<i>a</i> Expenditure £	134	3,648	2,318	1,664	821	759	132	9,476
<i>a</i> Train miles run	248	6,708	4,317	3,382	1,426	1,362	364	17,807
Earnings per train mile	12s. 9d.	14s. 5d.	13s. 8d.	12s. 8d.	11s. 10d.	12s. 11d.	6s. 6d.	13s. 5d.
Expenditure per train mile ..	10s. 9d.	10s. 11d.	10s. 9d.	9s. 10d.	11s. 6d.	11s. 2d.	7s. 3d.	10s. 8d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings ..	84.42	75.58	78.38	77.92	97.20	86.45	111.19	79.49
<i>a</i> Passenger Journeys, No.	39	37,898	40,834	6,755	4,203	3,748	538	94,015
<i>a</i> Coal and Coke carried, tons ..	3	1,626	132	163	49	144	78	2,195
<i>a</i> Other Minerals carried, tons ..	4	647	(c)	139	170	191	(b)	1,151
<i>a</i> Live stock carried, tons ..	5	156	128	137	31	24	5	486
<i>a</i> Other Goods carried ..	32	1,241	1,498	1,097	346	554	94	4,862
<i>a</i> Total Freight carried ..	44	3,670	1,758	1,536	596	913	177	8,694

(a) ,000 omitted.

(b) Included with Coal and Coke.

(c) Included with Other Goods.

(d) Included with Coaching and Goods.

B. Aircraft.

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Particulars.	States in which Registered Owners are Located.					Total.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	
Companies of persons owning aircraft (c) .. No.	10	11	7	1	2	31
Aeroplanes (c) .. No.	14	33	19	1	13	80
<i>(a)</i> Staff employed—						
Certified Pilots No.	11	17	6	1	6	41
Others .. No.	9	41	24	..	23	97
Flights carried out .. No.	5,389	3,596	882	48	722	10,637
Hours flown ..	957h. 45m.	1,123h. 33m.	656h. 49m.	89h. 45m.	748h. 20m.	3,576h. 12m.
Approximate mileage .. Miles	67,109	79,341	50,794	7,565	55,425	260,234
Passengers carried—						
Paying .. No.	3,063	4,289	533	(d)	1,339	9,224
Non-Paying .. No.	640	476	5	(d)	103	1,224
Total No.	3,703	4,765	538	(d)	1,442	10,448
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	..	10,257	1,857	..	14,897	27,011
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	..	2,896	10,453	..	71,668	85,017
Accidents—						
Persons Killed .. No.	..	..	..	..	1	1
Persons Injured .. No.	..	2	..	..	..	2

(a) Monthly average. (c) At 30th September, 1927.

(d) Not available.

MOTOR VEHICLES.

AIRCRAFT—continued.

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1928 (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

Particulars.	States in which Registered Owners are Located.					Total. (c)
	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	
Companies or persons owning aircraft (d) .. No.	24	14	6	3	2	49
Aeroplanes (d) .. No.	28	44	14	3	12	101
(a) Staff employed—						
Certified Pilots No.	15	18	9	4	6	52
Others .. No.	20	46	30	2	26	124
Flights carried out .. No.	11,778	4,400	2,701	1,008	376	20,263
Hours flown	2,033h.	1,454h.	1,239h.	441h. 35m.	524h.	5,693h.
14m.		45m.	30m.			4m.
Approximate mileage .. Miles	150,848	102,013	92,674	35,070	45,573	426,178
Passengers carried—						
Paying .. No.	4,429	2,858	1,507	2,254	482	11,530
Non-paying .. No.	1,421	516	96	45	27	2,105
Total No.	5,850	3,374	1,603	2,299	509	13,635
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	448	13,893	17,524	560	18,229	50,654
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	..	(b)(c)1,169	(c) 7,076	..	(c)48,702	(c) 56,947
Accidents—						
Persons Killed .. No.	..	1	..	1	..	..
Persons Injured .. No.	..	1	..	1	..	..

(a) Monthly average. (b) Aerial Mail Services, Adelaide to Cootamundra and Branches.

(c) Incomplete. (d) At 30th September, 1928.

C. Motor Vehicles.

PARTICULARS FOR YEARS 1926-27 AND 1927-28.

State.	Registrations.			Drivers' and Riders' Licenses issued.	Revenue derived from—		
	Motor Cars, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicle Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders' Licences.	Total.
1926-27.							
New South Wales ..	149,180	27,092	176,272	244,937	1,103,538	114,053	1,217,591
Victoria ..	111,124	23,011	134,135	164,380	782,398	41,095	823,493
Queensland ..	60,877	7,941	68,818	52,066	253,806	17,873	271,679
South Australia ..	57,849	12,962	70,811	88,695	268,642	20,156	288,798
Western Australia ..	26,051	6,000	32,051	41,864	162,086	10,466	172,552
Tasmania ..	9,586	3,516	13,102	15,306	61,484	4,628	66,112
Northern Territory ..	213	27	240	295	125	69	194
Federal Capital Territory ..	828	110	938	1,042	4,427	517	4,944
Total	415,708	80,659	496,367	608,585	2,636,506	208,857	2,845,363

1927-28.

New South Wales ..	178,526	29,038	207,564	287,173	1,314,751	134,728	1,449,479
Victoria ..	126,328	24,015	150,343	188,057	898,843	47,009	945,852
Queensland ..	67,901	8,038	75,989	46,696	375,647	19,075	394,722
South Australia ..	63,270	12,741	76,011	92,198	492,676	31,022	523,698
Western Australia ..	32,309	6,071	38,380	47,112	203,789	11,778	215,567
Tasmania ..	11,289	3,887	15,176	17,940	71,458	5,403	76,861
Northern Territory ..	265	42	407	464	122	109	231
Federal Capital Territory ..	1,149	135	1,284	1,597	13,135	840	13,975
Total	481,137	84,017	565,154	681,237	3,370,421	249,964	3,620,295

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics. TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years 1923 to 1927.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Total.	Total.
NO. OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1923 ..	204	160	119	110	115	87	2	797	a383
1924 ..	202	158	117	109	117	84	4	791	a376
1925 ..	188	154	107	101	114	75	4	743	a382
1926 ..	191	157	109	108	121	79	3	768	a372
1927 ..	186	149	104	106	130	81	3	759	a369
NO. OF BRANCHES.									
1923 ..	763	388	285	78	170	59	..	1,743	b2,157
1924 ..	726	386	271	84	149	60	..	1,676	b2,091
1925 ..	715	367	287	85	152	45	..	1,651	b2,012
1926 ..	602	384	234	90	153	51	..	1,564	b1,960
1927 ..	593	408	307	104	168	61	..	1,641	b2,031
NO. OF MEMBERS.									
1923 ..	267,299	206,049	109,153	60,786	42,319	14,065	72	699,743	699,743
1924 ..	274,831	217,044	112,238	65,812	43,270	15,516	444	729,155	729,155
1925 ..	309,002	220,941	127,735	73,611	48,855	15,130	448	795,722	795,722
1926 ..	329,260	230,530	142,985	79,908	52,616	15,783	387	851,478	851,478
1927 ..	355,127	247,618	150,651	79,771	60,586	16,734	1,165	911,652	911,652

(a) Allowing for Inter-State duplication. The figures represent the number of district organizations and Inter-State groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Inter-State unions, but also head State branches of Inter-State unions.

Classification of Trade Unions in Australia according to Number of Members at end of Years 1923 to 1927.

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
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NUMBER OF UNIONS.											
1923 ..	17	13	41	42	51	36	27	55	47	54	383
1924 ..	19	13	41	43	47	35	28	50	53	47	376
1925 ..	21	10	39	48	49	29	32	49	57	48	382
1926 ..	23	14	35	52	46	26	28	51	46	51	372
1927 ..	25	16	40	47	49	28	29	44	38	53	369

MEMBERSHIP.											
1923 ..	341,167	100,122	131,796	55,379	37,634	14,152	6,231	8,057	3,432	1,773	699,743
1924 ..	379,009	95,892	127,120	59,847	33,303	14,517	6,878	7,303	3,857	1,429	729,155
1925 ..	449,878	77,815	130,924	69,778	34,720	12,067	7,871	7,065	4,183	1,421	795,722
1926 ..	501,514	101,277	112,095	74,867	32,132	10,638	6,846	7,323	3,288	1,493	851,478
1927 ..	556,402	101,341	124,686	65,693	34,772	10,649	6,996	6,722	2,836	1,555	911,652

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Unions Reporting, and Number and Percentage Unemployed, (a) 1924 to 1928 (4th Quarter).

Particulars.	Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
			Number.	Percentage.
1924, Year ..	413	397,613	35,507	8.9
1925 ..	380	391,380	34,620	8.8
1926 ..	374	415,397	29,326	7.1
1927 ..	375	445,985	31,032	7.0
1928 ..	375	423,422	45,669	10.8
1926, 2nd Quarter (a) ..	355	369,894	24,920	6.7
3rd ..	386	434,521	32,871	7.6
4th ..	383	441,560	25,351	5.7
1927, 1st ..	373	445,739	26,280	5.9
2nd ..	387	455,133	29,217	6.4
3rd ..	374	447,935	29,991	6.7
4th ..	367	435,133	38,641	8.9
1928, 1st ..	375	427,992	45,638	10.7
2nd ..	363	416,827	46,656	11.2
3rd ..	378	419,899	47,745	11.4
4th ..	379	428,970	42,637	9.9

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.

Percentage of Members of Trade Unions returned as Unemployed (a) at the end of Year 1912, and Quarterly, 1927, and 1928.

State.	1912, end of Year.	1927.				1928.			
		1st Quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	2nd Quar. (April to June).	3rd Quar. (July to Sept.).	4th Quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	2nd Quar. (Apr. to June).	3rd Quar. (July to Sept.).	4th Quar. (Oct. to Dec.).
New South Wales	..	5.0	7.0	6.8	5.3	9.1	11.8	10.9	11.9
Victoria	..	6.7	4.9	6.8	8.1	9.8	10.6	12.2	11.2
Queensland	..	4.6	6.5	5.5	5.5	6.2	7.7	7.1	6.8
South Australia	..	5.1	3.7	5.6	8.9	10.7	13.1	16.1	17.6
Western Australia	..	5.8	5.3	4.4	7.1	4.9	5.2	9.5	8.8
Tasmania	..	3.4	6.2	6.8	11.2	10.1	13.3	10.7	8.2
Total	..	5.6	5.9	6.4	6.7	8.9	10.7	11.2	11.4
									9.9

(a) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1923 to 1928 (3rd Quarter).

Periods.	No. of Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost—All Disputes.			Total Estimated Loss in Wages. (a) £	
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.		

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Year 1923	..	200	601	54,809	5,390	60,199	..	..	892,306	1,038,519
,, 1924	..	416	584	116,087	17,648	133,735	..	..	706,796	755,142
,, 1925	..	430	458	123,292	16,937	140,229	..	..	649,840	736,601
,, 1926	..	256	631	63,281	28,359	96,640	..	..	1,111,230	1,229,410
,, 1927	..	339	470	108,116	40,425	148,541	..	..	1,133,963	1,230,060
4th Quarter, 1927	66	71	22,502	656	23,158	78,253	31,626	109,879	116,057	
1st Quarter, 1928	79	79	24,473	2,157	26,630	130,028	5,421	135,449	152,344	
2nd Quarter, 1928	44	63	12,764	3,250	16,014	109,379	20,590	129,969	132,841	
3rd Quarter, 1928	52	112	17,777	2,878	20,655	123,215	3,906	127,121	140,614	

VICTORIA.

Year 1923	..	29	133	6,279	771	7,050	..	..	98,880	108,512
,, 1924	..	30	36	9,621	416	10,037	..	..	66,567	50,735
,, 1925	..	19	158	5,428	3,172	8,600	..	..	131,737	130,817
,, 1926	..	33	39	6,320	2,245	8,565	..	..	100,735	106,423
,, 1927	..	24	36	8,937	284	9,221	..	..	54,367	44,470
4th Quarter, 1927	6	11	4,889	94	4,983	30,738	4,500	35,238	27,538	
1st Quarter, 1928	9	9	223	73	296	4,291	..	4,291	3,915	
2nd Quarter, 1928	7	18	1,469	959	2,428	17,919	..	17,919	15,759	
3rd Quarter, 1928	5	24	2,617	35	2,652	44,280	..	44,280	43,620	

QUEENSLAND.

Year 1923	..	25	36	2,724	340	3,064	..	..	55,131	53,081
,, 1924	..	25	30	2,889	246	3,135	..	..	47,214	42,018
,, 1925	..	22	64	20,492	840	21,272	..	..	219,826	164,480
,, 1926	..	29	37	2,054	391	2,445	..	..	30,118	27,412
,, 1927	..	30	376	29,594	640	30,234	..	..	428,135	325,884
4th Quarter, 1927	10	294	4,755	225	4,980	28,496	..	28,496	24,263	
1st Quarter, 1928	6	6	419	69	488	3,072	1,260	4,332	4,467	
2nd Quarter, 1928	3	301	624	301	925	4,422	..	4,422	4,383	
3rd Quarter, 1928	2	21	1,894	..	1,894	32,682	3,528	36,210	35,658	

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Year 1923	..	10	23	808	975	1,781	..	..	25,971	20,440
,, 1924	..	14	52	1,546	147	1,693	..	..	19,459	14,851
,, 1925	..	11	24	1,118	281	1,399	..	..	19,463	12,240
,, 1926	..	17	60	2,008	740	2,748	..	..	22,836	17,133
,, 1927	..	19	24	6,517	1,359	7,876	..	..	51,284	40,266
4th Quarter, 1927	3	8	3,363	1,254	4,677	36,564	..	36,564	28,084	
1st Quarter, 1928	3	3	514	..	514	5,347	..	5,347	3,533	
2nd Quarter, 1928	2	15	40	961	1,001	8,758	..	8,758	7,470	
3rd Quarter, 1928	3	22	1,703	..	1,703	29,480	..	29,480	29,196	

(a) Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1923 to 1928 (3rd Quarter)—continued.

Periods.	No. of Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost—All Disputes.			Total Estimated Loss in Wages. (a) £	
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.		

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Year 1923	..	6	88	1,255	2,752	4,007	..	..	72,274	53,408
,, 1924	..	13	233	2,131	1,366	3,497	..	..	66,734	42,329
,, 1925	..	10	180	3,321	814	4,135	..	..	98,941	56,358
,, 1926	..	9	28	523	78	601	..	..	9,081	5,998
,, 1927	..	20	25	3,345	47	3,392	..	..	23,819	19,944
4th Quarter, 1927	5	10	2,066	..	2,066	13,116	..	13,116	10,831	
1st Quarter, 1928	3	40	311	35	346	10,459	490	10,938	7,798	
2nd Quarter, 1928	4	4	513	78	591	3,443	13,330	16,773	12,233	
3rd Quarter, 1928	3	17	1,122	109	1,231	19,185	..	19,185	19,191	

TASMANIA.

Year 1923	..	3	3	197	..	197	..	..	1,093	1,296
,, 1924	..	5	5	268	54	322	..	..	11,606	12,268
,, 1925	..	3	16	169	70	239	..	..	2,989	2,300
,, 1926	..	10	12	660	231	801	..	..	5,080	4,363
,, 1927	..	6	6	354	421	775	..	..	14,950	9,182
4th Quarter, 1927	1	1	30	..	30	120	..	120	49	
1st Quarter, 1928	2	2	165	..	165	1,615	..	1,615	1,939	
2nd Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	480	480	576	
3rd Quarter, 1928	1	5	200	..	200	3,050	..	3,050	3,000	

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

Year 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
,, 1924	..	1	1	27	..	27	..	..	270	356
,, 1925	..	1	1	16	..	16	..	..	39	39
,, 1926	..	2	2	93	112	205	..	..	996	870
,, 1927	..	2	2	338	..	338	..	..	5,163	4,753
4th Quarter, 1927	1	1	7	..	7	210	..	210	210	
1st Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3rd Quarter, 1928	1	1	45	..	45	135	..	135	150	

FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY.

Year 1923	..	1	1	23	..	23	..	..	322	250
,, 1924	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
,, 1925	..	3	5	823	33	856	..	..	5,735	4,709
,, 1926	..	4	4	829	110	939	..	..	30,185	24,204
,, 1927	..	1	5	380	..	380	..	..	1,900	2,137
4th Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1st Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3rd Quarter, 1928	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

TOTAL.

Year 1923	..	274	885	66,093	10,223	76,321	..	..	1,145,977	1,275,506
,, 1924	..	504	941	132,569	19,877	152,446	..	..	918,646	917,699
,, 1925	..	499	906	154,599	22,147	176,746	..	..	1,128,570	1,107,544
,, 1926	..	360	813	80,768	32,266	113,034	..	..	1,310,261	1,415,813
,, 1927	..	441	944	157,581	43,176	200,757	..	..	1,713,581	1,676,696
4th Quarter, 1927	92	396	37,612	2,229	39,841	187,497	36,126	223,623	207,032	
1st Quarter, 1928	102	139	26,105	2,334	28,439	154,811	7,161	161,972	173,996	
2nd Quarter, 1928	60	401	15,410	5,549	20,959	143,921	34,400	178,321	173,262	
3rd Quarter, 1928(b)	67	202	25,358	3,022	28,380	252,027	7,434	259,461	271,429	

(a) Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

(b) Tentative figures.

NOTE.—The figures for the year show all losses caused by disputes which were current during such year. The quarterly figures show losses which occurred during the quarter.

EFFECT OF CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—STATES, 1923 to 1927.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.C.T.	(a) All States.	Total.
Persons Affected.										
Year 1923 ..	519,440	276,094	30,051	63,209	32,057	25,918	71	1,002	43,010	990,852
,, 1924 ..	196,066	338,761	52,975	111,261	40,598	26,144	35	30	81,785	847,655
,, 1925 ..	514,123	343,123	184,595	113,721	40,152	18,566	26	243	47,660	1,262,209
,, 1926 ..	525,801	429,605	32,953	103,291	38,271	25,378	53	63	66,345	1,221,760
,, 1927 ..	642,347	403,154	9,252	109,772	18,678	27,359	448	261	52,721	1,263,992
Net Increase per week.										
Year 1923 ..	£53,868	£36,934	£2,177b	£9,784	£606	£1,755	£20b	£298	£3,645	£104,018
,, 1924 ..	£7,880	£7,312	£13,993	£7,835	£1,879	£1,335	£15	£1	£1,136	£41,386
,, 1925 ..	£40,780	£19,965	£43,975	£9,693	£3,199	£293	£96	£133	£1,395	£119,427
,, 1926 ..	£43,471	£27,920	£5,081	£4,597	£4,164	£748	£20	£11	£1,608	£87,620
,, 1927 ..	£38,611	£8,941	£1,070	£4,250	£1,188	£1,026b	£107	£41	£192b	£52,998
Average Increase per head per week.										
Year 1923 ..	2s. 9d.	2s. 8d.	1s. 5d.b	3s. 11d.	0s. 1d.b	1s. 4d.	5s. 8d.b	5s. 11d.	1s. 9d.	3s. 0d.
,, 1924 ..	0s. 10d.	0s. 5d.	5s. 3d.	1s. 5d.	0s. 11d.	1s. 0d.	8s. 7d.	8s. 8d.	0s. 3d.	1s. 0d.
,, 1925 ..	1s. 7d.	1s. 2d.	4s. 9d.	1s. 8d.	1s. 7d.	0s. 4d.	6s. 11d.b	10s. 11d.	7d.	1s. 11d.
,, 1926 ..	1s. 8d.	1s. 4d.	3s. 1d.	0s. 11d.	2s. 2d.	0s. 7d.	7s. 7d.	3s. 6d.	0s. 6d.	1s. 4d.
,, 1927 ..	1s. 3d.	0s. 5d.	2s. 4d.	0s. 9d.	1s. 3d.	0s. 9d.b	4s. 9d.	3s. 2d.	0s. 1d.b	0s. 10d.

(a) Changes recorded in this column are common to all States, as the particulars relating to the number of workpeople affected and the net amount of increase per week in each State were not ascertainable. (b) Decrease

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—2nd and 3rd Quarters, 1928.

State.	Increases.		Decreases.		Total Result of all Changes.		Average Amount of Increase per head per week.
	Work-people affected.	Increase per Week.	Work-people affected.	Decrease per Week.	Work-people affected.	Net Increase per Week.	
2ND QUARTER, 1928.							

		£		£		£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	20,247	1,742	92,164	6,037	112,411	4,295(b)	0 9(b)
Victoria ..	21,540	1,853	92,048	7,826	113,588	5,973(b)	1 1(b)
Queensland ..	4,837	384	246	15	5,083	369	1 5
South Australia ..	17,457	995	4,651	254	22,108	741	0 8
Western Australia ..	769	155	1,804	102	2,573	53	0 5
Tasmania ..	1,638	132	2,599	141	4,237	9(b)	0 1(b)
Northern Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Federal Capital Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
All States (a) ..	..	..	6,905	491	6,905	491(b)	1 5(b)
Total ..	66,488	5,261	200,417	14,866	266,905	9,605(b)	0 9(b)

3RD QUARTER, 1928.

		£		£		£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	24,655	1,449	8,690	518	33,345	931	0 7
Victoria ..	5,154	574	25,346	1,288	30,500	714b	0 6b
Queensland ..	230	16	259	13	489	3	0 1
South Australia ..	4,158	384	2,642	122	6,800	262	0 9
Western Australia ..	144	12	4,427	309	4,571	297b	1 4b
Tasmania ..	3,982	196	1,293	63	5,275	133	0 6
Northern Territory ..	170	43	..	..	170	43	5 0
All States (a) ..	6,557	223	..	..	6,557	223	0 8
Total ..	45,050	2,897	42,657	2,313	87,707	584	0 2

(a) See note (a) to preceding table.

(b) Decrease.

Changes in Rates of Wage according to Industrial Groups—Australia, 1922 to 1927.

Particulars.	INDUSTRIAL GROUP.														ALL GROUPS.
	I. Wood, Furniture, Timber, &c.	II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c.	IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c.	V. Books, Printing, &c.	VI. Other Manufacturing.	VII. Building.	VIII. Mines, Quarries, &c.	IX. Rail and Tram Services.	X. Other Land Transport.	XI. Shipping, &c.	XII. Pastoral, &c.	XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	XIV. Miscellaneous.	
1922.															
Number of Persons affected ..	14,824	68,844	34,987	13,703	13,533	64,285	48,603	17,716	86,161	12,603	28,432	56,292	15,663	628,116	
Amount of Decrease per week £	2,028	14,399	5,805	1,412	1,722	6,784	8,069	2,330	15,311	2,075	559	(a) 1,136	1,288	70,562	
1923.															
Number of Persons affected ..	60,724	102,475	72,851	19,593	10,445	82,785	79,685	18,223	155,830	23,510	79,466	24,720	21,724	990,852	
Amount of Increase per week £	6,209	12,258	3,594	(b) 333	1,021	9,144	13,034	828	11,990	237	6,873	9,647	3,117	26,399	
1924.															
Number of Persons affected ..	62,728	70,067	43,685	55,155	8,803	78,843	66,596	12,100	86,961	43,343	94,110	13,980	7,607	847,655	
Amount of Increase per week £	(b) 2,506	(b) 2,270	2,713	4,103	4,246	(b) 1,881	7,806	580	6,544	1,555	(b) 5,350	4,749	1,834	19,243	
1925.															
Number of Persons affected ..	95,720	123,660	68,596	40,202	16,224	115,692	121,549	31,373	188,752	27,249	77,285	55,495	37,472	262,931	
Amount of Increase per week £	7,905	9,500	7,609	1,444	1,128	8,407	10,149	4,108	18,196	3,435	5,656	10,577	4,239	119,427	
1926.															
Number of Persons affected ..	60,422	96,677	43,416	98,659	21,157	92,324	132,012	57,650	283,101	27,019	90,685	13,160	1,066	1,221,760	
Amount of Increase per week £	1,669	850	4,180	5,334	2,513	4,231	14,848	8,123	20,227	2,404	2,416	552	369	19,904	
1927.															
Number of Persons affected ..	30,217	142,440	50,680	164,207	18,800	109,938	98,307	30,440	242,994	28,945	72,802	45,985	20,101	208,136	
Amount of Increase per week £	657	5,451	3,835	4,468	1,070	3,626	3,194	1,348	4,821	2,346	(b) 218	5,315	3,083	14,002	
															52,098

(a) Increase.

(b) Decrease.

Wages.—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1928.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars. <i>a</i>	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus-tralia.
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	108/0 44.06 29.41	104/9 46.23 27.19	102/8 44.03 27.98	101/7 45.64 26.71	102/3 44.00 27.89	99/8 45.60 26.23	104/7 44.81 28.00
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	104/2 44.11 28.34	102/2 46.82 26.19	99/6 44.00 27.14	102/4 46.74 26.27	103/7 44.90 27.68	99/8 46.16 25.91	102/8 45.37 27.15
III. Food, Drink, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	101/2 44.54 27.26	99/9 46.96 25.46	99/3 44.00 27.07	99/5 46.36 25.71	98/10 45.87 25.86	96/3 47.94 24.09	99/11 45.45 26.38
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	97/9 44.00 26.66	99/9 44.39 26.97	104/1 44.00 28.30	104/0 44.00 28.36	105/4 44.00 28.73	92/5 46.29 23.96	99/9 44.22 27.07
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	113/7 43.59 31.27	114/0 44.56 30.70	112/4 44.00 31.43	114/1 43.56 31.43	127/3 42.52 35.91	111/4 43.35 30.82	114/2 43.91 31.20
VI. Other Manufacturing . . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	103/4 45.33 27.35	99/1 47.20 25.19	99/0 44.75 26.55	102/7 47.25 26.05	101/5 46.73 26.04	97/2 47.25 24.67	101/2 46.22 26.27
VII. Building . . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	114/11 43.66 31.58	112/6 44.00 30.68	114/9 44.00 31.30	109/10 44.00 29.95	107/7 44.13 29.25	102/0 44.15 27.72	112/10 43.88 30.86
VIII. Mining <i>b</i> . . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	112/8 42.65 31.70	109/8 45.12 29.17	117/5 43.47 32.41	71/5e 43.79 19.57	108/9 43.65 29.89	99/8 45.42 26.33	110/1 43.60 30.30
IX. Rail and Tram Services	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	103/7 44.00 28.27	104/5 47.49 26.38	102/4 44.00 27.91	101/10 48.00 25.47	98/11 44.10 26.91	94/2 48.00 23.54	102/11 45.44 27.18
X. Other Land Transport . . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	99/3 44.00 27.07	94/9 47.73 23.88	97/2 48.00 26.50	94/1 48.00 23.52	96/10 48.00 24.20	96/2 48.00 24.04	96/11 45.81 25.39
XI. Shipping, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage <i>c</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage	103/3	105/5	102/11	108/4	104/6	104/5	104/
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	{ Weekly Wage <i>d</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage	100/9	91/7	96/10	90/6	91/10	90/3	95/9
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. . .	{ Weekly Wage <i>d</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage	94/11 44.00 25.89	95/6 48.33 23.71	89/7 44.00 24.43	92/4 48.00 23.08	93/0 48.00 23.25	70/2 48.00 17.54	93/3 45.98 24.34
XIV. Miscellaneous . . .	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	96/8 44.77 25.91	98/2 47.63 24.73	96/3 44.00 26.25	93/1 47.78 23.38	92/3 47.61 23.25	88/1 48.56 21.76	96/2 46.14 25.01
All Groups . . .	Weekly Wage	102/8	100/3	100/11	96/9	99/7	93/6	100/7
All Groups excepting XI. and XII.	{ Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	103/1 44.17 28.00	101/11 46.69 26.19	102/4 43.96 27.93	97/9 46.68 25.13	100/10 45.41 26.65	94/5 46.86 24.18	101/9 45.28 26.97

(a) Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly wage, working hours, and hourly wage, respectively. (b) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (c) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service and include value of victualling and accommodation, where provided, at 91/3 per month. (d) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied. (e) Special agreement rates, mining industry dormant owing to reduced price of industrial metals.

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1928.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars. a	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	48/4	50/11	44/5	45/3	45/0	50/6	49/0
	Working Hours	44.80	47.33	44.00	48.00	44.00	48.00	46.09
	Hourly Wage	12.95	12.91	12.11	11.31	12.27	12.63	12.76
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	54/10	53/1	55/8	56/4	54/7	52/5	54/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.86	44.00	44.00	44.00	45.33	44.31
	Hourly Wage	14.95	14.20	15.18	15.36	14.89	13.88	14.69
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	53/0	54/8	48/9	50/8	..	..	53/0
	Working Hours	44.19	45.73	44.14	46.42	..	48.00	45.13
	Hourly Wage	14.39	14.35	13.25	13.10	..	13.25	14.20
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. . .	Weekly Wage b	53/9	54/7	52/3	49/3	63/5	56/1	54/5
	Working Hours	43.38	47.69	44.00	48.00	47.20	48.00	45.53
	Hourly Wage	14.86	13.72	14.25	12.31	16.12	14.02	14.34
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks &c.	Weekly Wage	52/8	53/8	58/6	44/0	..	..	52/10
	Working Hours	44/00	45.75	44.00	48.00	..	..	45.05
	Hourly Wage	14.36	14.08	15.95	11.00	..	..	14.07
All Groups	Weekly Wage	53/8	53/5	54/9	51/2	58/10	53/5	53/8
	Working Hours	43/93	45.60	44.01	46.04	45.57	46.34	44.88
	Hourly Wage	14.66	14.06	14.93	13.34	15.49	13.83	14.35

(a) Particulars relate to the *average weighted* weekly rates of wage, working hours, and hourly wage respectively. (b) Including the value of board and lodging, where supplied, in order that the rate may be comparable with those paid in other industries.

Wages—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th September, 1928.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia in 1911 (51s. 3d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
RATES OF WAGE.							
30th June, 1914	55 11	54 4	52 10	54 4	62 9	52 7	55 3
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
31st December, 1921	95 10	93 7	96 8	89 5	95 0	91 8	94 6
31st December, 1922	91 6	91 4	93 10	87 6	93 9	88 5	91 6
31st December, 1923	94 6	95 7	94 2	90 9	94 2	92 4	94 4
31st December, 1924	93 6	95 5	95 9	91 10	94 8	92 6	94 3
30th September, 1925	94 11	96 1	99 0	94 1	96 10	93 1	95 10
31st December, 1925	96 0	97 2	99 11	94 4	97 0	93 5	96 9
31st March, 1926	96 3	97 5	100 2	95 0	96 10	93 7	97 0
30th June, 1926	96 11	98 2	100 3	95 10	97 6	94 6	97 7
30th September, 1926	97 7	99 9	100 4	97 0	98 5	95 2	98 6
31st December, 1926	100 5	99 6	100 1	95 8	98 9	94 10	99 4
31st March, 1927	100 9	100 2	100 1	95 5	98 8	94 6	99 7
30th June, 1927	100 10	99 9	100 1	95 8	98 8	94 1	99 7
30th September, 1927	101 2	99 8	100 1	95 6	98 8	93 9	99 7
31st December, 1927	101 10	100 3	100 1	96 7	98 10	93 10	100 2
31st March, 1928	102 8	100 9	100 11	96 7	99 1	93 10	100 9
30th June, 1928	102 7	100 4	100 11	96 8	99 3	93 5	100 7
30th September, 1928	102 8	100 3	100 11	96 9	99 7	93 6	100 7

INDEX-NUMBERS.

30th June, 1914	..	..	1,091	1,059	1,030	1,060	1,225	1,026	1,079
31st December, 1914	..	..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1921	..	..	1,869	1,826	1,886	1,745	1,853	1,788	1,844
31st December, 1922	..	..	1,785	1,783	1,830	1,708	1,829	1,726	1,785
31st December, 1923	..	..	1,844	1,865	1,837	1,770	1,838	1,802	1,840
31st December, 1924	..	..	1,824	1,862	1,868	1,791	1,847	1,805	1,839
30th September, 1925	..	..	1,853	1,874	1,931	1,835	1,889	1,817	1,860
31st December, 1925	..	..	1,873	1,897	1,950	1,841	1,893	1,823	1,887
31st March, 1926	..	..	1,879	1,901	1,955	1,854	1,890	1,827	1,892
30th June, 1926	..	..	1,891	1,916	1,956	1,870	1,902	1,843	1,904
30th September, 1926	..	..	1,905	1,947	1,958	1,892	1,921	1,856	1,922
31st December, 1926	..	..	1,959	1,941	1,952	1,867	1,927	1,851	1,938
31st March, 1927	..	..	1,966	1,952	1,952	1,861	1,925	1,843	1,944
30th June, 1927	..	..	1,967	1,947	1,953	1,867	1,924	1,836	1,942
30th September, 1927	..	..	1,974	1,944	1,952	1,864	1,924	1,829	1,944
31st December, 1927	..	..	1,988	1,957	1,953	1,885	1,928	1,832	1,955
31st March, 1928	..	..	2,004	1,966	1,970	1,885	1,934	1,831	1,966
30th June, 1928	..	..	2,002	1,958	1,969	1,887	1,936	1,823	1,963
30th September, 1928	..	..	2,003	1,956	1,969	1,888	1,942	1,825	1,963

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th September, 1928.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia at 30th April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) as base = 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
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RATES OF WAGE.

	s.	d.										
30th June, 1914	26	9	27	4	27	0	24	1	37	4
31st December, 1914	26	10	27	9	27	1	24	1	37	4
31st December, 1921	49	0	47	10	50	3	45	2	56	4
31st December, 1922	47	8	48	0	48	2	44	0	56	4
31st December, 1923	49	3	49	5	50	5	46	4	56	4
31st December, 1924	49	1	49	7	50	10	46	6	56	11
30th September, 1925	49	6	49	11	51	7	48	4	57	6
31st December, 1925	49	8	50	8	51	9	48	10	57	6
31st March, 1926	50	2	51	5	52	7	49	7	57	6
30th June, 1926	50	2	51	6	52	7	49	8	57	6
30th September, 1926	50	5	51	7	52	7	50	0	57	9
31st December, 1926	50	8	51	11	52	10	50	0	58	6
31st March, 1927	51	0	52	2	53	2	50	4	58	6
30th June, 1927	51	1	52	2	53	9	50	4	58	6
30th September, 1927	52	3	52	6	53	5	49	11	58	6
31st December, 1927	53	0	52	7	53	5	49	11	58	8
31st March, 1928	53	6	53	3	54	7	50	9	58	10
30th June, 1928	53	8	53	6	54	10	51	2	58	10
30th September, 1928	53	8	53	5	54	9	51	2	58	10

INDEX-NUMBERS.

	984	1,006	993	885	1,373	950	1,009
30th June, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373
31st December, 1914	1,803	1,761	1,849	1,661	2,074
31st December, 1921	1,754	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075
31st December, 1922	1,812	1,819	1,855	1,704	2,075
31st December, 1923	1,807	1,824	1,872	1,710	2,094
31st December, 1924	1,821	1,837	1,898	1,779	2,116
30th September, 1925	1,827	1,866	1,904	1,796	2,116
31st December, 1925	1,847	1,892	1,935	1,826	2,116
31st March, 1926	1,847	1,895	1,935	1,827	2,117
30th June, 1926	1,856	1,900	1,936	1,839	2,127
30th September, 1926	1,865	1,911	1,944	1,839	2,152
31st December, 1926	1,878	1,921	1,958	1,854	2,152
31st March, 1927	1,880	1,921	1,980	1,853	2,152
30th June, 1927	1,922	1,932	1,965	1,838	2,152
30th September, 1927	1,950	1,934	1,966	1,838	2,160
31st December, 1927	1,970	1,961	2,009	1,868	2,164
31st March, 1928	1,975	1,969	2,017	1,883	2,164
30th June, 1928	1,974	1,967	2,016	1,883	2,164
30th September, 1928	1,974	1,967	2,016	1,883	2,164

Boards Authorized and Constituted, Awards, Determinations, and Agreements in Force, 30th September, 1928.

Particulars.	Common-wealth.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.	
	Court.	Pub. Ser. Arb.								
1. Boards Authorized and Constituted—										
Number of Boards authorized	..	..	301a	184	2	76	9	51	623
Number of Boards constituted	..	..	299a	177	2	28c	9	45	560
2. Boards Constituted which have made Awards or Determinations—										
Number of Boards which had made or varied awards or determinations ..	..	..	283	168	..	54	5	89	549
Number of Boards which had not made any award or determination ..	..	..	16	9	2	22	4	6	59
3. Number of Awards and Determinations in Force^b	..	233	37	430	182	249	111	115	51	1,408
4. Scope of State Awards and Determinations—										
Number applying to the whole State ..	..	..	114	67	71	17	4	41	314
Number applying to the Metropolitan area only ..	..	..	102	2	62	64	62	1	203
Number applying to the Metropolitan and Country towns ..	..	..	134	100	52	2	13	7	308
Number applying to the Country areas ..	..	..	80	13	64	28	36	2	223
5. Number of Commonwealth Court Awards in Force in each State	..	..	139	170	48	131	46	86	..
6. Number of Determinations of the Public Service Arbitrator in Force in each State	..	..	35	30	28	28	28	27	..
7. Industrial Agreements in Force	263	..	158	..	123	55	146	5	750	
8. Number of Commonwealth Agreements in Force in each State	..	..	99	107	33	33	23	26	..
9. Number of Persons covered by State Awards, Determinations, and Industrial Agreements (estimated)	..	..	285,000	198,000	169,000	33,500	36,000	19,000	740,500

(a) Excluding Special Demarcation Boards. (b) Including awards made by Industrial Courts. (c) At the 31st December, 1924 and 1927, the majority of South Australian Industrial Boards appointed during 1921 and 1924 expired by effluxion of time. The number shown represents those reconstituted at the end of the period.

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—Commencing with the first quarter of the Year 1925 the basis of computation for housing accommodation was altered. Previously, the weighted average rent of all houses had been taken for the rent constituent. In the tables on this and the two following pages the weighted average rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only has been taken. For comparative purposes index-numbers have been computed on the same basis for the years 1911, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924. The table on page 77 has been prepared for the use of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, and is based upon the weighted average rental of all houses in continuation of the series used by the Court for quarterly adjustment of wages.

Retail Price Index-Numbers,(a)—Capital Cities, 1911 to 1928.

Base in each Section :—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities in 1911=1,000.

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of (say) housing, and food and groceries, since the weighted average cost for the six cities taken together in 1911 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1921.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.
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GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—GROCERIES AND FOOD.

Sydney	989	1,898	1,785	1,867	1,846	1,826
Melbourne	935	1,901	1,748	1,774	1,732	1,684
Brisbane	1,018	1,812	1,734	1,788	1,680	1,671
Adelaide	1,020	1,906	1,840	1,869	1,841	1,776
Perth	1,346	1,995	1,938	1,866	1,796	1,883
Hobart	1,058	2,025	1,810	1,868	1,788	1,727
Weighted Average ..	1,000	1,902	1,785	1,829	1,789	1,762

GROUP IV.—HOUSING—WEIGHTED AVERAGE 4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney	1,145	1,617	1,870	1,826	1,814	1,868
Melbourne	931	1,340	1,604	1,695	1,710	1,778
Brisbane	610	1,030	1,165	1,333	1,361	1,372
Adelaide	1,155	1,322	1,576	1,516	1,540	1,671
Perth	857	1,209	1,340	1,469	1,507	1,539
Hobart	739	1,441	1,649	1,628	1,579	1,535
Weighted Average ..	1,000	1,410	1,847	1,677	1,684	1,743

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—GROCERIES, FOOD, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS)

Sydney	1,048	1,793	1,817	1,852	1,834	1,842
Melbourne	934	1,690	1,694	1,744	1,724	1,719
Brisbane	865	1,519	1,521	1,617	1,560	1,559
Adelaide	1,070	1,687	1,741	1,736	1,728	1,736
Perth	1,162	1,700	1,714	1,717	1,687	1,754
Hobart	938	1,806	1,750	1,778	1,710	1,655
Weighted Average ..	1,000	1,717	1,733	1,772	1,749	1,755

(a) As the price index-number increases the purchasing power of money diminishes.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (c) (Food, Groceries, and Housing, 4 and 5 rooms, for each of Thirty Towns, 1911, 1921, and 1924 to 1928 (4th Quarter), with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities (Food, Groceries and Rent of 4 and 5 roomed Houses) in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

Particulars.	1911.	1921.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.		1928.	
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	4th Qtr. (Oct. to Dec.)	3rd Qtr. (July to Sept.)	4th Qtr. (Oct. to Dec.)
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	1,048	1,793	1,769	1,817	1,852	1,834	1,871	1,832	1,836
Newcastle	1,752	1,663	1,746	1,793	1,796	1,845	1,804	1,799
Broken Hill	1,672	1,570	1,691	1,735	1,770	1,812	1,760	1,762
Goulburn	1,740	1,763	1,749	1,810	1,848	1,898	1,863	1,866
Bathurst	1,543	1,500	1,590	1,666	1,644	1,646	1,655	1,641
(a) Weighted Average	1,780	1,753	1,805	1,842	1,828	1,866	1,827	1,830
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne	934	1,690	1,643	1,694	1,744	1,724	1,747	1,702	1,699
Ballarat	1,487	1,425	1,489	1,515	1,492	1,499	1,490	1,490
Bendigo	1,490	1,450	1,520	1,574	1,589	1,611	1,566	1,551
Geelong	1,607	1,520	1,577	1,689	1,690	1,706	1,654	1,664
Warrnambool	1,614	1,537	1,533	1,551	1,546	1,582	1,529	1,536
(a) Weighted Average	1,659	1,622	1,673	1,725	1,706	1,729	1,685	1,682
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	865	1,519	1,490	1,521	1,617	1,560	1,578	1,543	1,571
Toowoomba	1,406	1,388	1,473	1,559	1,475	1,475	1,443	1,456
Rockhampton	1,434	1,349	1,478	1,577	1,550	1,531	1,473	1,491
Charters Towers	1,497	1,492	1,517	1,617	1,617	1,605	1,609	1,677
Warwick	1,473	1,427	1,450	1,560	1,540	1,549	1,448	1,472
(a) Weighted Average	1,496	1,468	1,511	1,608	1,554	1,566	1,529	1,556
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	1,070	1,687	1,697	1,741	1,736	1,728	1,734	1,720	1,696
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	1,538	1,469	1,484	1,513	1,508	1,497	1,462	1,469
Port Pirie	1,596	1,514	1,602	1,672	1,627	1,622	1,583	1,582
Mount Gambier	1,478	1,361	1,403	1,468	1,447	1,464	1,454	1,428
Peterborough	1,568	1,595	1,688	1,695	1,722	1,738	1,703	1,729
(a) Weighted Average	1,666	1,675	1,720	1,720	1,711	1,716	1,700	1,679
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, &c.	1,162	1,700	1,673	1,714	1,717	1,687	1,682	1,784	1,783
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	1,732	1,670	1,676	1,664	1,614	1,589	1,685	1,688
Northam	1,896	1,785	1,787	1,775	1,780	1,816	1,819
Bunbury	1,660	1,646	1,693	1,687	1,675	1,664	1,707	1,703
Geraldton	1,737	1,746	1,809	1,784	1,763	1,770	1,802	1,845
(a) Weighted Average	1,704	1,674	1,713	1,713	1,683	1,676	1,773	1,773
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	938	1,806	1,753	1,750	1,778	1,710	1,684	1,643	1,658
Launceston	1,620	1,625	1,616	1,640	1,585	1,579	1,572	1,551
Burnie	1,662	1,640	1,668	1,608	1,597	1,591	1,601
Devonport	1,643	1,623	1,643	1,580	1,530	1,506	1,502
Queenstown	1,589	1,564	1,582	1,545	1,495	1,520	1,489	1,491
(a) Weighted Average	1,701	1,701	1,696	1,720	1,657	1,638	1,609	1,612
Weighted Average for 30 towns	1,691	1,668	1,715	1,756	1,734	1,757	1,728	1,729
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities	1,000	1,717	1,688	1,733	1,772	1,749	1,773	1,744	1,744
(b) Townsville (Q)	1,799	1,781	1,814	1,932	1,869	1,835	1,800	1,840

(a) Average for the five towns. (b) Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.

(c) As the price index-number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

RETAIL PRICES : Amount necessary on the Average in each Year from 1911 to 1928 (4th Quarter) to purchase in each Capital City what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole. (Food and Groceries and Rent of 4 and 5 roomed Houses.)

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of six Capital Cities.
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FOOD AND GROCERIES (46 COMMODITIES).

	s. d.						
1911 .. .	19 9	18 8	20 4	20 5	26 11	21 2	20 0
1921 .. .	38 0	38 0	36 3	38 1	40 0	40 6	38 0
1924 .. .	34 8	33 8	33 10	35 10	37 10	37 0	34 8
1925 .. .	35 8	35 0	34 8	36 10	38 9	36 2	35 8
1926 .. .	37 4	35 6	35 9	37 5	37 4	37 4	36 7
1927 .. .	36 11	34 8	33 7	36 10	35 11	35 9	35 9
1928 .. .	36 6	33 8	33 5	35 6	37 8	34 6	35 3
1926—1st Quarter	36 9	35 0	35 6	37 3	37 1	37 7	36 2
2nd .. .	38 2	37 2	35 7	39 4	38 10	38 3	37 9
3rd .. .	37 3	35 2	35 11	36 9	37 3	37 2	36 5
4th .. .	37 3	34 7	36 1	36 2	36 2	36 5	36 1
1927—1st .. .	36 11	34 0	34 5	36 7	36 3	36 3	35 8
2nd .. .	36 2	33 10	32 10	36 5	36 7	35 9	35 2
3rd .. .	36 4	35 7	33 4	37 6	35 6	35 11	35 11
4th .. .	38 2	35 3	33 10	36 9	35 5	35 2	36 5
1928—1st .. .	36 8	34 4	33 5	36 2	35 4	34 7	35 5
2nd .. .	36 11	34 2	33 5	36 7	38 1	34 9	35 8
3rd .. .	36 2	33 2	33 0	35 0	38 7	34 4	34 11
4th .. .	36 4	33 1	33 11	34 3	38 7	34 6	34 11

HOUSING ACCOMMODATION (WEIGHTED AVERAGE—4 AND 5 ROOMS).

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1911 .. .	22 11	18 7	12 2	23 1	17 2	14 9	20 0
1921 .. .	32 4	26 10	20 7	26 5	24 2	28 10	28 2
1924 .. .	36 7	31 6	23 2	30 10	26 3	31 10	32 4
1925 .. .	37 5	32 1	23 4	31 6	26 10	33 0	32 11
1926 .. .	36 6	33 11	26 8	30 4	29 5	32 7	33 7
1927 .. .	36 3	34 2	27 3	30 10	30 2	31 7	33 8
1928 .. .	37 4	35 7	27 5	33 5	30 9	30 8	34 10
1926—1st Quarter	36 5	33 7	26 8	30 7	29 3	32 6	33 5
2nd .. .	36 7	34 0	26 8	30 7	29 5	31 11	33 7
3rd .. .	36 7	34 0	26 8	30 0	29 6	32 9	33 7
4th .. .	36 7	34 1	26 8	30 1	29 4	33 1	33 7
1927 1st .. .	36 3	34 0	26 8	30 5	29 8	32 0	33 6
2nd .. .	36 6	34 0	26 8	30 5	29 7	31 9	33 7
3rd .. .	36 2	34 4	27 9	31 3	30 7	31 6	33 10
4th .. .	36 3	34 6	27 9	31 2	30 9	31 1	33 11
1928—1st .. .	37 4	35 7	27 8	33 5	30 9	30 9	34 11
2nd .. .	37 4	35 7	27 7	33 7	30 10	30 9	34 11
3rd .. .	37 4	35 6	27 4	33 5	30 10	30 5	34 10
4th .. .	37 5	35 6	27 3	33 4	30 10	30 11	34 10

FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS) COMBINED.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1911 .. .	21 0	18 8	17 4	21 5	23 3	18 9	20 0
1921 .. .	35 10	33 10	30 3	33 9	34 0	36 1	34 4
1924 .. .	35 5	32 10	29 10	33 11	33 6	35 1	33 9
1925 .. .	36 4	33 11	30 5	34 10	34 3	35 0	34 8
1926 .. .	37 1	34 11	32 4	34 9	34 4	35 7	35 5
1927 .. .	36 8	34 6	31 2	34 7	33 9	34 2	35 0
1928 .. .	36 10	34 5	31 2	34 9	35 1	33 1	35 1
1926—1st Quarter	36 7	34 6	32 2	34 9	34 1	35 8	35 1
2nd .. .	37 6	36 0	32 2	36 1	35 3	35 10	36 2
3rd .. .	37 0	34 9	32 5	34 3	34 4	35 6	35 4
4th .. .	37 0	34 5	32 7	33 11	33 7	35 2	35 2
1927—1st .. .	36 8	34 0	31 6	34 3	33 9	34 8	34 10
2nd .. .	36 4	33 11	30 7	34 2	33 11	34 3	34 7
3rd .. .	36 4	35 1	31 3	35 1	33 8	34 3	35 1
4th .. .	37 5	34 11	31 7	34 8	33 8	33 8	35 6
1928—1st .. .	36 11	34 9	31 3	35 2	33 7	33 2	35 3
2nd .. .	37 1	34 9	31 2	35 5	35 4	33 3	35 5
3rd .. .	36 8	34 0	30 10	34 5	35 8	32 10	34 11
4th .. .	36 9	34 0	31 5	33 11	35 8	33 2	34 11

Note.—This table is prepared for the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration on a different basis from those given on the three preceding pages. As indicated by the heading in the table the rent constituent is based upon the weighted average of all houses. It is comparable with those published in issues of the Quarterly Summary previous to No. 99, but not directly comparable with those on pages 74 to 76 of this issue, owing to the difference in the basis of housing accommodation.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing—all Houses) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average of Food, Groceries, and Rent of all Houses for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

State and Town.	1928.				Index-Numbers for Twelve Months ending—	
	First Quarter (January to March).	Second Quarter (April to June).	Third Quarter (July to September).	Fourth Quarter (October to December.)	30th Sept., 1928.	31st Dec., 1928.
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney ..	1,846	1,853	1,825	1,830	1,849	1,839 ✓
Newcastle ..	1,726	1,722	1,716	1,712	1,732	1,719
Broken Hill ..	1,711	1,685	1,666	1,667	1,696	1,682
Goulburn ..	1,836	1,840	1,827	1,828	1,839	1,833
Bathurst ..	1,555	1,569	1,562	1,549	1,565	1,559
Weighted Average, New South Wales ..	1,830	1,835	1,810	1,814	1,833	1,822
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne ..	1,768	1,761	1,729	1,726	1,765	1,746 ✓
Ballarat ..	1,553	1,549	1,548	1,540	1,551	1,548
Bendigo ..	1,584	1,583	1,575	1,556	1,583	1,575
Geelong ..	1,712	1,693	1,672	1,681	1,701	1,690
Warrnambool ..	1,585	1,575	1,549	1,556	1,577	1,566
Weighted Average, Victoria	1,749	1,742	1,713	1,709	1,746	1,728
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane ..	1,596	1,593	1,584	1,608	1,596	1,595 ✓
Toowoomba ..	1,449	1,454	1,458	1,470	1,464	1,458
Rockhampton ..	1,516	1,520	1,505	1,539	1,528	1,520
Charters Towers ..	1,505	1,497	1,490	1,541	1,503	1,508
Warwick ..	1,425	1,430	1,431	1,454	1,446	1,435
Weighted Average, Queensland ..	1,570	1,569	1,561	1,586	1,573	1,572
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide ..	1,758	1,760	1,713	1,689	1,745	1,730 ✓
Kadina, &c. ..	1,464	1,445	1,424	1,434	1,452	1,442
Port Pirie ..	1,564	1,565	1,532	1,528	1,558	1,547
Mount Gambier ..	1,420	1,416	1,411	1,389	1,417	1,409
Peterborough ..	1,682	1,672	1,655	1,673	1,672	1,671
Weighted Average, South Australia ..	1,733	1,734	1,689	1,668	1,720	1,706
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, &c. ..	1,607	1,689	1,706	1,705	1,653	1,677 ✓
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,480	1,515	1,577	1,583	1,515	1,539
Northam ..	1,571	1,610	1,637	1,639	1,611	1,614
Bunbury ..	1,525	1,559	1,593	1,572	1,553	1,562
Geraldton ..	1,565	1,570	1,571	1,596	1,570	1,576
Weighted Average, Western Australia ..	1,590	1,664	1,685	1,686	1,633	1,656
TASMANIA—						
Hobart ..	1,658	1,665	1,653	1,666	1,666	1,661 ✓
Launceston ..	1,594	1,597	1,580	1,569	1,588	1,585 ✓
Burnie ..	1,566	1,588	1,562	1,576	1,570	1,573
Devonport ..	1,559	1,583	1,540	1,532	1,560	1,554
Queenstown ..	1,389	1,406	1,416	1,418	1,403	1,407
Weighted Average, Tasmania ..	1,622	1,630	1,615	1,620	1,626	1,622
Weighted Average, for 30 Towns ..	1,745	1,750	1,727	1,728	1,747	1,738
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities ..	1,768	1,774	1,748	1,749	1,770	1,760

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, Housing—4 and 5 rooms only, Clothing, and Miscellaneous Expenditure) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in November, 1914, as Base (= 1,000).

State and Town.	Novem- ber, 1914	Novem- ber, 1920	Novem- ber, 1921	Novem- ber, 1922	Year. 1925.	Year. 1926.	Year. 1927.	1st Qtr. (Jan. to March) 1928.	2nd Qtr. (Apr. to June) 1928.
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney ..	1,036	1,736	1,523	1,486	1,478	1,503	1,498	1,515	1,522
Newcastle	1,515	1,407	1,435	1,470	1,478	1,476	1,475
Broken Hill	1,419	1,358	1,414	1,438	1,455	1,476	1,457
Goulburn	1,504	1,430	1,498	1,527	1,546	1,570	1,570
Bathurst	1,379	1,299	1,361	1,423	1,385	1,401	1,404
(a) Weighted Average	1,516	1,471	1,472	1,498	1,495	1,511	1,516
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne ..	976	1,706	1,460	1,402	1,432	1,453	1,441	1,452	1,454
Ballarat	1,443	1,362	1,330	1,355	1,341	1,351	1,353
Bendigo	1,458	1,361	1,328	1,357	1,368	1,364	1,368
Geelong	1,483	1,430	1,383	1,431	1,433	1,421	1,419
Warrnambool	1,504	1,330	1,371	1,377	1,376	1,392	1,379
(a) Weighted Average	1,460	1,397	1,422	1,444	1,433	1,443	1,445
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane ..	889	1,534	1,344	1,276	1,344	1,383	1,342	1,334	1,333
Toowoomba	1,381	1,224	1,337	1,375	1,330	1,312	1,315
Rockhampton	1,415	1,284	1,320	1,378	1,352	1,315	1,320
Charters Towers	1,491	1,259	1,304	1,346	1,326	1,335	1,340
Warwick	1,447	1,297	1,314	1,384	1,376	1,324	1,329
(a) Weighted Average	1,370	1,271	1,339	1,381	1,343	1,330	1,331
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide ..	1,018	1,693	1,440	1,388	1,496	1,493	1,482	1,501	1,509
Kadina, etc.	1,452	1,314	1,353	1,361	1,356	1,355	1,356
Port Pirie	1,492	1,342	1,411	1,438	1,412	1,407	1,411
Mount Gambier	1,497	1,318	1,363	1,392	1,373	1,386	1,387
Peterborough	1,379	1,264	1,475	1,479	1,489	1,480	1,476
(a) Weighted Average	1,444	1,378	1,485	1,484	1,473	1,490	1,497
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, etc. ..	1,029	1,617	1,467	1,355	1,446	1,444	1,433	1,432	1,480
Kalgoorlie, etc.	1,526	1,403	1,468	1,458	1,433	1,417	1,436
Northam	1,499	1,394	1,467	1,452	1,437	1,441	1,460
Bunbury	1,520	1,409	1,433	1,423	1,401	1,377	1,395
Geraldton	1,537	1,412	1,494	1,472	1,469	1,491	1,497
(a) Weighted Average	1,484	1,370	1,450	1,446	1,429	1,431	1,473
TASMANIA—									
Hobart ..	999	1,765	1,556	1,450	1,496	1,506	1,453	1,426	1,430
Launceston	1,552	1,421	1,408	1,416	1,387	1,400	1,402
Burnie	1,459	1,338	1,385	1,393	1,362	1,363	1,378
Devonport	1,316	1,161	1,369	1,380	1,346	1,320	1,331
Queenstown	1,501	1,373	1,423	1,392	1,357	1,342	1,362
(a) Weighted Average	1,538	1,419	1,458	1,466	1,422	1,408	1,413
Weighted Average for 30 Towns	1,474	1,408	1,442	1,463	1,451	1,460	1,467
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..	b 1,000	1,697	1,474	1,420	1,451	1,471	1,458	1,469	1,477

(a) Weighted average for five towns.

(b) Basis of table.

**RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF
THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED
AVERAGE FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES IN 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).**

Particulars.	1914.		1925.		1926.		1927.		1928		Per- cent- age in- crease from July, 1914, to Dec. 1928	
	July.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.			
NEW SOUTH WALES—												
Sydney .. .	1,153	1,819	1,854	1,862	1,900	1,916	1,877	1,820	1,824	58.2		
Newcastle .. .	1,147	1,850	1,852	1,818	1,907	1,873	1,874	1,797	1,832	59.7		
Broken Hill .. .	1,468	2,113	2,085	2,030	2,076	2,207	2,252	2,103	2,185	49.8		
Goulburn .. .	1,183	1,845	1,878	1,819	1,933	1,886	1,893	1,838	1,839	55.5		
Bathurst .. .	1,097	1,771	1,808	1,762	1,802	1,794	1,798	1,731	1,759	60.3		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,165	1,829	1,860	1,861	1,905	1,919	1,886	1,825	1,833	57.3		
VICTORIA—												
Melbourne .. .	1,106	1,788	1,744	1,739	1,744	1,759	1,728	1,644	1,672	51.2		
Ballarat .. .	1,103	1,811	1,767	1,778	1,803	1,766	1,764	1,701	1,697	53.9		
Bendigo .. .	1,107	1,817	1,786	1,788	1,820	1,781	1,750	1,701	1,710	54.5		
Geelong .. .	1,089	1,782	1,747	1,720	1,750	1,743	1,714	1,671	1,759	61.5		
Warrnambool .. .	1,087	1,767	1,717	1,704	1,737	1,710	1,703	1,631	1,661	52.8		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,105	1,790	1,737	1,742	1,750	1,759	1,729	1,649	1,678	51.9		
QUEENSLAND—												
Brisbane .. .	1,057	1,814	1,781	1,768	1,858	1,704	1,672	1,694	1,699	60.7		
Toowoomba .. .	1,041	1,785	1,768	1,736	1,836	1,644	1,600	1,609	1,635	57.1		
Rockhampton .. .	1,156	1,825	1,814	1,858	1,953	1,786	1,750	1,777	1,760	52.2		
Charters Towers .. .	1,246	1,963	1,971	2,066	2,136	2,038	1,988	1,975	2,048	64.4		
Warwick .. .	1,083	1,765	1,747	1,826	1,887	1,742	1,709	1,694	1,733	60.0		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,082	1,817	1,789	1,785	1,875	1,720	1,685	1,704	1,712	58.2		
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—												
Adelaide .. .	1,250	1,811	1,822	1,793	1,849	1,833	1,848	1,693	1,754	40.3		
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. .	1,230	1,885	1,906	1,902	1,955	1,895	1,950	1,865	1,934	57.2		
Port Pirie .. .	1,291	1,960	1,972	1,930	1,976	1,883	1,930	1,823	1,889	46.3		
Mount Gambier .. .	1,064	1,766	1,755	1,803	1,806	1,805	1,825	1,737	1,748	64.3		
Peterborough .. .	1,340	1,894	1,935	1,951	2,022	1,967	2,025	1,971	2,048	52.8		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,247	1,820	1,832	1,804	1,859	1,838	1,857	1,708	1,760	41.9		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—												
Perth, &c. .. .	1,340	1,808	1,809	1,803	1,807	1,786	1,734	1,912	1,909	42.5		
Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. .	1,664	2,098	2,087	2,063	2,060	2,918	1,990	2,159	2,178	30.9		
Northam .. .	.. .	1,972	1,948	1,974	1,974	1,965	1,887	2,030	1,985	.. .	
Bunbury .. .	1,418	1,925	1,911	1,998	1,994	2,001	1,953	2,039	2,024	42.7		
Geraldton .. .	1,445	1,991	1,950	1,983	1,977	1,990	1,948	1,973	1,970	36.3		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,412	1,848	1,846	1,842	1,845	1,823	1,773	1,944	1,942	37.5		
TASMANIA—												
Hobart .. .	1,211	1,829	1,851	1,811	1,842	1,741	1,749	1,724	1,740	43.7		
Launceston .. .	1,144	1,806	1,824	1,774	1,784	1,717	1,736	1,668	1,681	46.9		
Burnie .. .	.. .	1,885	1,903	1,832	1,865	1,786	1,780	1,777	1,841	.. .	
Devonport .. .	.. .	1,864	1,855	1,838	1,889	1,724	1,711	1,725	1,744	.. .	
Queenstown .. .	1,315	2,080	2,087	2,026	2,090	1,953	1,932	1,919	1,972	50.0		
(a) Weighted Average .. .	1,201	1,835	1,854	1,810	1,838	1,742	1,751	1,717	1,736	44.5		
Weighted Average for 30 Towns .. .	1,164	1,816	1,810	1,807	1,841	1,828	1,801	1,749	1,769	52.0		
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities .. .	1,152	1,807	1,802	1,801	1,832	1,824	1,794	1,741	1,759	52.7		
(b) Townsville (Queensland) .. .	1,997	1,996	2,065	2,186	2,014	1,973	2,022	2,031	.. .			

(a) Average for the five towns. (b) Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.

NOTE.—Corresponding index-numbers for the intervening months are given in Labour Reports, Nos. 6 to 18; in Labour Bulletins Nos. 17 and 18; and in the Quarterly Summaries of Statistics, Nos. 70 to 113.

AVG. PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF NEW SOUTH WALES ON THE 15th OF
THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.			
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Bread	.. 2 lb.	5.98	5.98	5.98	5.92	5.92	5.92	6.43	6.43	6.43	6.25	6.30	6.30	6.00	6.00	6.00	
Flour	.. 25 lb.	56.10	55.50	55.20	58.75	57.50	57.00	56.50	57.60	55.20	52.80	52.20	51.60	52.50	51.50	50.70	
Tea	.. Ib.	26.65	26.65	26.65	27.14	27.14	27.14	33.17	33.17	33.17	27.60	27.60	27.60	28.60	28.60	28.60	
Coffee	..	26.40	26.40	26.40	25.71	25.71	25.71	30.29	29.80	29.80	28.40	28.40	28.40	27.20	26.60	26.60	
Sugar	..	4.60	4.55	4.55	4.92	4.92	4.92	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Rice	..	3.73	3.68	3.73	4.00	3.96	4.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.00	3.90	3.90	4.30	4.30	4.30	
Sago	..	3.48	3.38	3.38	4.00	3.93	3.93	5.50	5.50	5.50	3.80	3.60	3.40	4.60	4.60	4.50	
Jam	..	7.20	7.20	7.07	8.11	8.19	8.19	8.29	8.29	8.29	7.87	7.67	7.67	8.13	8.00	8.00	
Oatmeal	..	4.17	4.17	4.27	4.93	4.93	4.67	4.53	4.53	4.53	4.74	4.78	4.78	5.18	5.18	5.16	
Raisins	..	9.15	9.05	9.25	9.92	9.71	9.64	10.57	10.57	10.60	11.40	10.60	10.60	10.75	10.20	10.20	
Currants	..	9.30	9.45	9.45	9.50	9.57	9.57	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.80	9.70	9.90	9.90	9.90	10.10	
Starch	..	9.60	9.55	9.55	10.00	9.93	10.00	10.79	10.79	10.79	11.60	11.90	11.90	11.00	11.00	11.00	
Blue	doz. sq.	14.30	14.30	14.30	16.07	16.07	16.07	14.14	14.14	14.14	16.80	16.50	16.50	17.30	17.30	17.30	
Candles	Ib.	10.75	10.90	10.75	11.57	11.00	10.79	12.92	12.83	12.83	12.00	11.90	11.90	12.00	12.20	12.20	
Soap	..	5.16	5.33	5.33	5.50	5.07	5.29	6.19	6.19	6.19	5.57	5.37	5.37	5.94	5.67	5.67	
Potatoes	14 lb.	17.58	24.67	23.17	20.50	21.86	26.57	16.75	18.00	31.20	15.00	15.00	14.10	13.80	13.50	17.70	
Onions	Ib.	3.50	3.25	3.21	3.42	3.57	3.43	2.50	3.00	2.80	4.00	4.00	3.60	3.90	3.60	3.40	
Kerosene	gal.	23.92	23.70	23.81	25.17	25.00	25.00	32.57	32.57	32.57	27.70	27.10	26.50	24.75	24.75	24.75	
Dairy Produce—																	
Milk	quart	9.05	9.05	9.05	7.86	7.86	7.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	
Butter	Ib.	24.30	23.30	24.75	24.25	23.29	24.50	24.00	23.60	26.00	23.80	23.00	24.60	25.30	24.50	26.00	
Cheese	..	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.17	15.00	15.14	17.50	17.60	15.20	15.40	15.40	17.50	17.00	16.75		
Eggs	doz.	21.00	20.90	20.75	20.00	18.43	19.86	18.17	18.00	17.80	19.40	19.40	17.20	18.40	18.40		
Bacon, Middle	Ib.	20.25	20.30	20.05	20.30	20.17	20.00	21.00	21.00	21.40	20.00	20.00	19.40	20.25	20.25		
Shoulder	..	12.28	12.33	12.89	18.20	17.33	17.33	17.80	18.00	17.25	15.20	15.20	15.40	14.00	14.00		
Ham	..	23.75	24.13	24.11	25.67	24.00	24.80	23.86	23.86	24.40	22.00	21.33	22.40	24.67	24.67		
Meat—																	
Beef, Sirloin	..	10.25	10.25	10.30	9.07	9.07	9.07	11.57	11.50	11.29	10.25	10.25	8.50	8.25	8.25		
Ribs	..	7.85	7.80	7.70	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.00	8.83	8.71	8.88	8.88	7.00	6.88	6.88		
Flank	..	7.60	7.55	7.60	6.79	6.79	6.79	8.00	8.00	5.00	4.75	4.75	4.50	4.25	4.25		
Shin	..	5.80	5.70	5.65	4.93	4.93	4.93	6.43	6.43	6.50	6.14	4.50	4.50	5.50	5.25	5.00	
Steak, Rump	..	14.75	14.75	14.85	12.36	12.36	12.36	17.43	17.43	17.43	14.75	14.75	14.00	11.50	11.50		
Shoulder	..	7.65	7.25	7.25	6.79	6.79	11.43	11.43	11.43	8.25	8.25	8.25	7.00	6.75	6.75		
Stewings	..	6.85	6.45	6.35	6.07	6.07	6.07	10.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.00	6.00		
Beef, Corned																	
Roll	..	8.30	8.00	8.00	8.36	8.36	8.36	11.86	11.86	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.00	8.00	7.75		
Brisket,																	
with bone	..	4.45	4.25	4.20	4.43	4.43	4.43	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.00	5.00		
without bone	..	6.45	6.35	6.35	6.64	6.64	6.64	9.00	8.83	8.86	8.50	8.50	7.50	7.25	7.00		
Mutton, Leg	..	8.10	7.95	8.05	9.29	9.29	10.86	10.50	10.43	9.63	9.63	8.50	8.00	7.83			
Shoulder	..	6.10	6.00	6.00	6.36	6.36	9.29	9.00	9.14	7.50	7.50	6.75	6.50	6.50			
Loin	..	9.15	8.90	8.95	8.64	8.64	10.86	10.67	10.71	11.00	11.00	10.50	8.50	8.00			
Neck	..	5.80	5.75	5.80	6.57	6.57	6.57	8.86	8.83	8.71	5.25	5.25	3.50	3.50	3.50		
Chops, Loin	..	10.45	10.10	10.20	9.36	9.36	9.36	11.71	11.17	11.71	11.40	11.40	9.00	8.75	8.50		
Leg	..	9.72	9.50	9.40	9.36	9.36	9.36	12.29	12.29	12.29	9.75	9.75	8.25	8.50	8.50		
Neck	..	7.45	7.10	7.10	7.14	7.14	7.42	10.71	10.67	10.57	6.60	6.60	5.50	5.00	5.00		
Pork, Leg	..	14.50	14.35	14.65	13.43	14.00	13.83	15.71	15.71	16.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	
Loin	..	15.25	15.05	14.85	13.14	13.14	13.14	15.57	15.67	15.71	14.25	14.25	14.25	12.00	12.00	12.00	
Belly	..	12.60	12.10	12.10	10.71	10.71	10.71	14.86	15.00	14.71	11.75	11.75	10.00	10.00	10.00		
Chops	..	14.95	14.85	14.85	13.86	13.86	13.86	17.71	17.71	17.71	14.80	14.60	14.60	12.50	12.50	12.50	
House Rents	4 and 5 rooms		301.82			287.33			185.21			308.44			236.16		

THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF VICTORIA ON THE 15th OF THE
MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRENAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.58	5.53	5.53	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour ..	25 lb."	53.70	53.70	53.40	50.43	48.00	48.00	52.71	52.71	52.71	50.40	50.30	49.70	51.60	50.40	51.00
Tea ..	28.00	28.00	28.00	24.29	24.00	24.14	24.43	24.43	24.43	24.43	25.80	25.80	25.80	24.80	24.80	24.80
Coffee ..	"	26.80	26.80	26.80	24.71	24.71	24.29	22.86	22.86	22.86	26.50	26.50	26.50	28.80	28.80	28.80
Sugar ..	"	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.09	4.75	4.75	5.21	5.21	5.21	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rice ..	"	3.75	3.80	3.80	3.71	3.71	3.71	4.29	4.29	4.29	3.70	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago ..	"	3.33	3.28	3.28	3.57	3.50	3.43	3.79	3.93	4.00	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.00
Jam ..	"	7.07	6.80	6.80	6.86	6.19	6.14	6.19	6.00	6.14	6.40	6.00	6.00	6.80	6.33	6.00
Oatmeal ..	"	3.82	3.82	3.80	4.07	3.89	3.93	4.39	4.39	4.39	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.11	4.19	4.19
Raisins ..	"	9.95	9.95	9.85	9.21	8.93	9.00	8.71	8.86	8.86	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.00	10.40	10.50
Currants ..	"	9.15	9.20	9.20	9.36	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.60	9.60	9.70	9.40	9.40	9.40
Starch ..	"	10.30	10.30	10.35	10.57	10.00	10.00	10.43	10.56	10.57	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.60	9.40
Blue ..	doz. sq.	13.40	13.20	13.20	12.36	12.14	12.71	12.07	12.07	12.07	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.60	12.60	12.60
Candles ..	lb.	11.85	11.85	11.70	11.14	11.21	11.21	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.10	11.10	10.50	10.30	10.70
Soap ..	"	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.57	5.43	5.57	5.07	5.07	5.07	4.30	4.30	4.30	6.25	6.20	6.20
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	6.71	9.29	12.50	6.07	8.21	6.00	8.36	9.00	9.00	6.10	7.10	7.10	7.50	8.10	12.30
Onions ..	lb.	2.79	2.36	2.00	2.64	2.14	2.00	3.14	2.14	2.07	2.30	1.90	1.80	2.50	2.20	2.50
Kerosene ..	gal.	23.66	23.66	23.86	30.43	30.43	30.43	31.29	30.86	31.29	24.60	24.60	24.60	26.70	26.70	26.70
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	7.61	7.56	7.60	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.50	7.50	7.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Butter ..	lb.	22.25	22.45	23.75	21.21	21.57	22.93	23.29	23.29	24.43	21.70	21.60	23.75	23.00	23.00	24.00
Cheese ..	"	17.10	16.90	17.30	14.43	13.14	13.14	14.86	14.86	14.86	14.20	14.40	14.40	15.25	15.60	15.20
Eggs ..	doz.	16.70	15.30	15.20	12.29	12.00	11.86	13.00	11.00	10.86	14.00	12.00	11.60	12.00	10.20	10.40
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	23.70	23.60	23.60	23.14	23.07	22.80	22.71	23.14	22.86	23.40	23.20	23.20	22.75	23.00	23.00
Shoulder ..	"	14.75	14.50	14.50	16.83	16.33	16.00	17.00	17.17	17.33	16.90	16.90	16.90	15.00	16.40	16.40
Ham ..	"	24.63	24.78	24.78	23.50	23.67	23.33	23.40	24.20	24.40	24.00	24.00	23.80	24.25	24.20	24.20
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	10.00	9.85	9.95	10.71	10.71	10.71	9.71	9.57	9.57	10.60	10.40	10.40	9.00	9.00	9.00
Ribs ..	"	8.35	8.30	8.25	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.43	8.57	8.57	9.20	9.20	9.20	7.20	7.20	7.20
Flank ..	"	6.78	6.89	6.67	6.29	6.29	6.29	4.43	4.43	4.43	6.20	6.20	6.20	5.00	5.00	5.00
Shin ..	"	5.10	5.10	5.15	4.43	4.43	4.29	5.29	5.43	5.43	6.00	5.80	5.80	6.50	6.50	6.50
Steak, Rump ..	"	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.14	14.86	14.71	13.57	13.29	13.57	15.40	15.20	15.20	15.40	15.40	15.40
Shoulder ..	"	7.65	7.75	7.75	7.57	7.57	7.57	8.29	8.43	8.57	8.40	8.40	8.40	7.20	7.20	7.20
Stewing ..	"	6.45	6.40	6.40	7.14	7.14	7.14	7.57	7.71	7.57	7.60	7.60	7.60	6.40	6.40	6.40
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	8.55	8.65	8.70	10.43	10.43	8.86	9.14	8.86	9.50	9.50	9.50	8.90	8.80	8.80	8.80
Brisket, with bone ..	"	4.60	4.50	4.55	5.71	5.71	5.71	5.86	5.86	5.71	5.70	5.60	6.00	5.40	5.60	5.60
" without bone ..	"	6.35	6.70	6.55	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.57	7.57	7.43	7.50	7.40	7.60	6.80	6.80	6.80
Mutton, Leg ..	"	7.05	6.95	7.15	8.57	8.50	8.50	8.57	8.43	8.43	8.60	8.20	8.40	8.30	8.30	8.30
" Shoulder ..	"	4.70	4.45	4.75	6.07	5.93	5.93	5.71	5.71	5.71	5.60	5.60	5.60	5.40	5.40	5.40
" Loin ..	"	7.00	6.70	7.00	7.71	7.71	7.71	7.43	7.57	7.43	8.00	8.20	8.20	7.40	7.20	7.20
" Neck ..	"	3.70	4.00	3.90	5.29	5.07	4.93	5.29	5.14	5.29	5.80	5.60	5.70	5.20	5.20	5.20
Chops, Loin ..	"	8.50	8.40	8.40	9.43	9.43	9.29	9.29	9.43	9.43	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.40	8.60	8.60
" Leg ..	"	8.67	8.44	8.89	9.71	9.71	9.57	9.43	9.57	9.57	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.40	8.60	8.60
" Neck ..	"	4.95	4.75	4.70	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.43	6.57	6.43	7.20	7.10	7.10	6.00	6.00	6.00
Pork, Leg ..	"	14.56	14.50	14.60	14.14	14.67	14.67	12.83	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	11.80	11.80	12.00
" Loin ..	"	15.00	15.11	14.80	14.14	14.67	14.67	12.83	13.40	13.40	14.25	14.25	14.50	11.80	11.80	12.00
" Belly ..	"	14.11	14.22	14.10	13.71	14.17	14.00	12.83	13.20	13.00	14.00	14.25	14.25	11.40	11.40	11.60
" Chops ..	"	15.56	15.67	15.20	14.43	14.83	14.83	13.50	13.40	13.40	14.50	15.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	12.20
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		286.65		182.82			209.00			257.89			219.54		

RETAIL PRICES.

AVVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF QUEENSLAND ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

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Retail Prices.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			CHARTERS TOWERS.			WARWICK.			
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Groceries, &c.—																	
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.40	6.40	6.40	5.50	5.50	5.50	
Flour ..	25 lb.	55.00	55.00	52.60	64.00	64.00	59.00	64.29	64.29	64.29	71.40	70.20	70.20	65.40	65.40	60.50	
Tea ..	15 lb.	26.05	26.05	26.05	27.43	27.14	27.14	27.71	27.71	27.71	30.60	30.60	30.60	29.40	29.40	29.40	
Coffee ..		28.80	29.57	29.57	27.00	27.00	27.00	31.67	31.67	31.67	31.20	31.20	31.20	27.40	27.40	27.40	
Sugar ..		4.48	4.48	4.48	4.71	4.71	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Rice ..		3.45	3.45	3.45	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.54	3.57	3.50	4.10	4.20	4.20	3.95	3.95	3.95	
Sago ..		2.95	2.95	2.95	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.07	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80	
Jam ..		7.50	7.53	7.53	8.07	8.14	8.00	8.14	8.14	8.14	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.90	9.10	9.00	
Oatmeal ..		3.88	3.88	3.88	4.52	4.52	4.52	4.69	4.69	4.72	4.92	4.90	4.92	4.87	4.67	4.87	
Raisins ..		10.60	10.60	10.60	9.80	9.57	9.57	9.00	9.00	9.00	12.60	12.60	12.80	11.40	11.40	11.40	
currants ..		9.85	9.90	9.90	10.14	10.14	10.14	9.64	9.64	9.64	10.60	10.80	10.90	10.60	10.60	10.60	
Starch ..		8.95	8.90	8.90	10.71	10.57	10.57	9.86	9.86	9.86	11.80	11.80	11.60	11.00	11.00	11.00	
Blue ..	doz. sq.	11.65	11.65	11.65	12.00	12.00	12.00	15.79	15.79	15.79	17.80	17.80	17.80	15.80	15.80	15.80	
Candles ..	lb.	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.14	10.00	9.86	11.64	11.50	11.50	14.60	14.60	14.60	12.00	12.00	11.80	
Soap ..	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.79	4.82	4.82	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.80	4.75	4.70	4.90	4.80	4.80	4.80	
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	29.00	30.75	28.20	23.71	27.43	28.43	29.86	35.86	30.14	35.25	45.00	45.60	17.80	25.80	32.50	
Onions ..	lb.	3.40	2.75	2.45	3.50	3.00	2.79	3.64	3.07	2.64	4.75	4.40	4.00	3.80	3.00	2.60	
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.49	21.49	21.49	25.86	25.86	25.86	22.86	22.86	22.86	25.45	25.45	25.45	28.20	28.20	28.20	
Dairy Produce—																	
Milk ..	quart	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	
Butter ..	lb.	23.65	22.65	24.20	24.07	23.29	25.00	24.29	23.29	24.86	26.00	25.00	26.60	25.40	24.50	26.00	
Cheese ..	15.15	14.85	14.85	15.14	15.14	15.14	14.86	14.86	14.86	19.60	18.40	18.60	15.80	15.80	15.80		
Eggs ..	doz.	16.15	17.35	17.75	11.71	12.57	13.29	13.57	14.00	15.71	18.00	18.75	19.50	11.80	12.00	12.00	
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	16.00	15.70	16.20	16.43	16.29	16.43	16.71	16.71	16.71	19.20	19.00	19.00	16.40	16.40	16.40	
Bacon, Shoulder ..		10.40	10.75	10.61	11.43	11.14	12.00	11.86	12.29	12.29	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.40	13.40	13.40	
Ham ..	"	25.21	25.21	24.69	26.00	25.83	25.60	26.00	26.83	26.83	26.50	27.67	27.75	24.67	25.67	26.25	
Meat—																	
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	8.70	8.70	8.80	6.86	6.79	6.93	8.71	8.71	8.86	8.10	8.10	10.00	7.00	7.40	7.40	
Ribs ..	"	5.90	5.95	6.10	4.79	4.71	4.71	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	7.20	5.50	5.40	5.40	
Flank ..	"	5.50	5.50	5.56	3.50	3.40	3.40	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.60	4.60	6.30	2.60	2.60	2.60	
Shin ..	"	3.90	3.90	3.95	2.57	2.71	2.71	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.38	2.38	2.38	
Steak, Rump ..	"	11.20	11.20	11.40	9.43	9.29	9.43	10.86	10.86	10.86	10.00	10.00	12.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	
Shoulder ..	"	5.65	5.65	5.80	4.57	4.57	4.71	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.40	5.40	7.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Stewing ..	"	4.90	4.90	5.11	3.93	4.00	3.93	4.79	4.57	4.43	4.80	4.80	7.50	4.40	4.60	4.60	
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	8.05	8.05	8.15	6.29	6.36	6.54	6.86	6.86	6.93	7.00	7.00	8.50	6.50	7.50	7.50	
Brisket, with bone ..	"	4.06	4.06	4.11	4.33	4.29	4.29	5.20	5.10	5.30	4.50	4.50	6.00	4.70	5.00	5.00	
Brisket, without bone ..	"	5.90	6.00	6.05	5.25	5.21	5.21	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.00	6.00	7.33	5.38	5.50	5.50	
Leg ..	"	7.90	8.00	8.25	7.33	7.00	7.43	9.71	9.86	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	
Shoulder ..	"	5.55	5.65	5.80	3.75	3.64	3.86	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Loin ..	"	8.30	8.30	8.50	7.08	6.86	7.29	9.86	10.00	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.20	9.20	9.20	
Neck ..	"	4.80	4.80	5.39	3.67	3.92	3.86	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.80	5.80	6.40	3.60	4.00	4.00	
Chops, Loin ..	"	8.45	8.55	8.65	7.08	6.86	7.29	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.80	
Leg ..	"	8.60	8.60	8.70	7.33	7.00	7.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.20	9.20	
Neck ..	"	6.95	6.95	6.95	5.60	5.60	6.00	8.50	8.67	8.50	8.20	8.20	8.20	5.20	5.20	5.20	
Pork, Leg ..	"	12.30	12.30	12.30	11.86	12.17	12.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.20	11.20	
Loin ..	"	12.55	12.35	12.35	11.57	11.83	11.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.20	11.20	
Belly ..	"	10.40	10.40	10.30	9.14	9.00	9.14	10.17	10.17	10.17	10.60	10.60	10.80	8.00	8.40	8.40	
Chops ..	"	12.90	12.80	12.90	11.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.40	11.40	11.40	
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		220.20			192.14			167.49			187.76			178.24		

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE
15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED
HOUSES.**

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA, ETC.			PORT PIRIE.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.35	5.30	5.30	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.67	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour ..	25 "	50.50	50.80	50.40	51.00	51.43	51.00	59.00	59.00	58.00	58.80	58.20	56.40	62.40	62.40	61.20
Tea ..	1b.	27.40	27.40	27.40	30.00	30.00	30.00	28.42	28.25	28.25	30.80	30.60	30.60	30.40	30.40	30.40
Coffee ..	"	27.30	27.30	27.30	32.29	32.29	32.29	29.67	29.67	28.80	31.80	31.80	31.80	31.00	31.60	31.60
Sugar ..	"	4.36	4.41	4.41	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.72	4.72	4.74	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.75	4.95	4.95
Rice ..	"	3.75	3.70	3.70	4.71	4.71	4.71	4.42	4.42	4.42	4.40	4.40	4.30	5.00	5.00	5.00
Sago ..	"	3.30	3.30	3.25	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.25	4.17	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.40	4.20	4.20	4.20
Jam ..	"	6.59	6.49	6.49	7.81	7.71	7.71	7.33	7.33	7.07	7.49	7.37	7.27	8.13	8.00	8.00
Oatmeal ..	"	3.69	3.64	3.59	4.52	4.52	4.56	4.49	4.57	4.57	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.42	4.42	4.42
Raisins ..	"	7.70	7.75	7.75	10.00	10.43	10.43	9.83	9.83	9.75	9.60	9.40	9.60	9.80	9.80	9.80
Currants ..	"	8.25	8.25	8.40	9.29	9.36	9.08	9.00	9.00	9.30	9.10	9.50	9.50	9.60	9.80	9.80
Starch ..	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.17	10.00	10.08	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.70	10.90	10.90
Blue ..	doz. sq.	12.05	12.05	12.05	13.07	13.07	13.07	12.33	12.33	12.33	11.70	11.70	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00
Candles ..	lb.	11.25	11.25	11.20	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.33	12.33	12.20	11.20	11.20	11.70	13.40	13.40	13.40
Soap ..	"	5.22	5.33	5.33	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.80	4.85	4.85	5.03	5.03	5.03	6.30	6.30	6.30
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	11.33	12.67	18.33	16.50	18.00	27.00	12.50	14.67	24.70	9.75	9.75	9.75	15.60	22.80	30.90
Onions ..	lb.	2.50	2.25	1.75	3.33	3.14	2.92	3.08	3.00	2.70	2.00	2.38	2.63	2.90	2.70	2.70
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.65	21.65	21.65	24.50	24.50	24.50	26.10	26.75	26.75	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.10	27.10	27.10
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	7.90	7.90	7.90	7.43	7.43	7.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.00	9.00	9.00
Butter ..	lb.	20.70	20.95	23.80	19.00	20.14	24.33	21.50	21.42	24.00	17.80	17.60	18.80	20.60	21.40	26.40
Cheese ..	"	14.05	14.05	14.35	15.57	15.71	15.71	15.00	15.17	14.83	13.50	14.00	13.50	15.60	15.60	15.60
Eggs ..	doz.	12.90	13.45	13.15	10.67	10.57	10.08	11.42	11.25	10.70	10.60	10.00	9.80	10.20	9.40	9.40
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	20.80	21.20	21.20	21.60	21.67	21.67	20.17	20.50	19.33	20.50	20.75	21.00	22.60	23.00	23.20
Bacon, Shoulder ..	"	14.89	15.00	15.39	18.00	18.20	18.50	17.00	17.33	16.60	17.00	17.25	17.75	20.50	21.50	21.50
Ham ..	"	22.78	23.11	23.94	22.33	22.00	22.00	22.20	22.20	21.80	20.00	20.33	20.67	23.50	23.50	25.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	9.63	9.38	9.67	10.14	10.00	10.14	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.00	9.70	9.70	10.50	10.50	10.50
" Ribs ..	"	7.69	7.56	7.69	9.71	9.71	9.71	9.00	8.86	8.86	8.80	8.40	8.60	9.50	9.50	9.50
" Flank ..	"	8.00	7.88	8.22	7.71	7.71	7.71	5.86	5.71	5.86	6.40	6.40	6.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
" Shin ..	"	6.63	6.38	6.38	7.60	7.60	7.40	7.00	6.71	6.86	6.50	6.75	6.50	5.67	5.67	5.67
Steak, Rump ..	"	15.33	15.25	15.33	14.29	14.29	14.29	15.14	15.14	15.14	13.80	13.80	12.80	15.33	15.33	15.33
" Shoulder ..	"	9.38	9.25	9.67	11.29	11.00	11.29	10.86	10.86	10.86	9.40	9.60	9.60	11.00	11.00	10.33
Beef, Stewing ..	"	8.63	8.38	8.67	10.29	10.14	10.29	10.00	10.14	10.00	8.20	8.20	8.60	9.25	9.25	9.25
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	10.56	10.56	10.78	10.14	10.14	10.14	10.71	10.86	10.71	10.20	10.00	10.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Beef, Brisket, with bone ..	"	6.25	6.25	6.25	7.86	7.86	7.86	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.20	7.20	7.20	8.33	8.33	8.33
" , without bone ..	"	6.25	6.25	6.25	7.86	7.86	7.86	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.20	7.20	7.20	8.33	8.33	8.33
Mutton, Leg ..	"	8.88	8.50	8.89	10.57	10.57	10.14	10.29	10.14	10.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.67	9.67	9.67
" Shoulder ..	"	7.19	6.94	7.11	8.86	8.86	8.43	8.86	8.71	8.86	8.20	8.20	8.20	8.33	8.33	8.33
" Loin ..	"	8.56	8.19	8.44	10.00	10.14	9.71	9.14	9.14	9.29	9.60	9.60	10.25	10.00	10.00	10.00
" Neck ..	"	6.25	6.25	6.61	8.00	7.71	7.43	7.43	7.29	7.57	7.40	7.40	7.40	9.33	9.33	9.33
Chops, Loin ..	"	9.50	9.50	9.67	12.00	12.00	11.71	11.14	11.14	11.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" Leg ..	"	10.38	10.50	10.44	12.00	12.00	11.71	11.43	11.57	11.57	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" Neck ..	"	7.50	7.50	7.67	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.71	9.86	8.60	8.80	8.80	10.50	10.00	10.00
Pork, Leg ..	"	14.00	14.13	14.33	12.71	12.71	12.71	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.20	11.80	11.80	12.25	12.25	12.00
" Loin ..	"	14.63	14.63	14.86	12.71	12.71	12.71	11.86	11.86	11.86	12.20	11.80	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.33
" Belly ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.53	11.57	11.57	11.57	11.71	11.71	11.71	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00
" Chops ..	"	15.50	15.50	15.33	12.86	12.86	12.86	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.80	12.40	13.75	13.75	13.75	13.75
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		269.38		125.74			185.84			145.83			211.14		

RETAIL PRICES.

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.			
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	
Flour ..	25 lb.	56.10	55.75	55.50	61.71	61.71	61.71	59.00	59.00	59.00	63.60	63.60	62.40	58.50	58.50	58.50	
Tea ..	lb.	26.20	26.20	26.20	30.14	30.14	30.14	30.33	30.33	30.33	27.00	27.00	27.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	
Coffee ..		22.70	22.70	22.60	29.29	29.29	29.29	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.80	23.80	23.80	20.50	20.50	20.50	
Sugar ..		4.56	4.50	4.50	5.46	5.46	5.46	5.38	5.38	5.38	4.90	5.03	4.90	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Rice ..		3.55	3.50	3.45	4.71	4.71	4.64	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.90	4.00	3.90	4.25	4.25	4.25	
Sago ..		3.25	3.30	3.30	5.00	5.17	5.14	3.92	3.92	3.92	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.00	4.00	4.00	
Jam ..		7.43	7.47	7.57	8.57	8.57	8.67	8.28	8.17	8.17	8.53	8.53	8.53	9.00	9.00	9.00	
Oatmeal ..		4.03	3.99	3.99	4.35	4.37	4.35	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.57	4.47	4.47	5.07	5.07	5.07	
Raisins ..		8.00	8.35	8.20	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.17	9.17	9.17	9.60	10.00	9.60	9.50	9.75	9.75	
currants ..		8.70	8.90	8.80	9.57	9.67	9.71	8.83	9.00	9.00	9.60	9.80	9.90	10.25	10.25	10.25	
Starch ..		9.05	9.35	9.25	11.57	11.57	11.29	10.88	10.88	10.88	11.40	11.60	11.20	12.00	12.00	12.00	
Blue ..	doz. sq.	16.25	16.25	16.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.17	17.17	17.17	16.60	16.60	16.60	18.00	18.00	18.00	
Candles ..	lb.	11.55	11.45	11.45	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.20	
Soap ..		5.02	5.13	5.14	6.54	6.52	6.45	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.40	5.40	5.48	4.95	4.95	4.95	
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	24.90	22.60	20.30	23.14	22.00	27.00	31.33	31.00	25.00	27.00	22.20	21.00	32.25	28.50	27.75	
Onions ..	lb.	4.00	4.10	3.30	3.83	4.25	3.86	4.67	5.00	3.50	4.75	4.40	3.80	5.25	5.25	4.25	
Kerosene ..	gal.	22.36	22.36	21.88	31.48	31.73	31.05	24.55	24.55	24.55	22.75	22.90	23.04	23.58	23.58	23.58	
Dairy Produce—																	
Milk ..	quart	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.71	9.71	9.71	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.67	6.67	6.67	
Butter ..	lb.	24.50	23.80	24.00	26.29	26.29	26.29	26.33	26.00	26.17	24.00	24.00	24.00	26.50	26.75	26.75	
Cheese ..		15.20	14.90	14.60	16.14	16.00	15.86	16.17	16.17	16.83	15.20	15.40	15.60	18.00	18.00	18.00	
Eggs ..	doz.	16.90	17.00	18.70	21.00	21.50	21.14	14.50	15.17	15.00	15.40	16.00	18.80	15.50	15.75	18.50	
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	21.00	20.80	20.90	22.43	22.43	22.71	21.40	21.20	21.60	21.20	21.00	21.40	22.75	22.75	23.00	
Bacon, Shoulder ..		12.95	12.35	11.95	15.29	15.33	15.43	15.40	15.80	15.20	13.80	13.80	13.80	16.00	16.00	16.20	
Ham ..		23.90	23.80	24.00	24.71	25.17	25.00	23.80	23.80	23.80	23.20	23.20	23.60	25.40	25.40	25.40	
Meat—																	
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	11.80	11.40	11.80	12.14	12.14	12.14	11.14	10.71	10.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	
" Ribs ..	"	10.10	9.80	9.90	10.14	10.14	10.00	9.86	9.57	9.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	
" Flank ..	"	11.20	11.00	10.89	11.00	10.71	11.00	10.67	10.33	10.33	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.75	8.75	8.75	
" Shin ..	"	9.10	8.90	8.80	9.67	9.33	9.17	9.29	9.00	8.86	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.33	8.33	8.33	
Steak, Rump ..		17.40	17.30	17.20	17.71	17.71	17.71	16.29	16.29	16.14	16.00	16.00	16.00	13.25	13.25	13.25	
" Shoulder ..		11.80	11.20	11.50	11.71	11.86	11.71	11.14	10.86	10.86	11.33	11.33	11.33	10.25	10.25	10.25	
" Stewing ..		10.40	10.00	10.10	10.14	10.00	10.00	10.43	10.14	10.29	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.25	9.25	9.25	
Beef, Corned Roll ..		11.00	10.40	10.60	11.71	11.71	11.71	11.14	11.00	11.14	10.67	11.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.25	
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	7.00	7.00	6.95	8.57	8.57	8.43	7.40	6.83	6.67	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	
" " without bone ..	"	9.10	8.60	8.50	10.14	10.00	10.14	9.57	9.14	9.00	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.25	9.25	9.25	
Mutton, Leg ..		11.00	10.20	10.50	12.00	12.14	12.14	11.14	10.86	10.71	14.00	13.67	13.33	10.75	10.33	10.50	
" Shoulder ..		7.85	7.05	7.25	9.86	10.00	9.86	8.71	8.57	8.43	11.33	11.00	11.00	8.50	8.33	8.25	
" Loin ..		10.70	9.90	10.00	11.86	11.86	11.86	9.86	9.86	9.14	12.33	12.33	12.33	10.00	9.67	9.75	
" Neck ..		7.60	7.10	7.40	9.71	9.57	9.29	7.14	7.29	7.43	9.33	9.00	9.00	8.00	7.67	7.75	
Chops, Loin ..		11.70	10.80	10.90	13.00	12.86	12.86	11.43	11.29	11.00	14.00	13.67	13.33	10.75	10.33	10.50	
" Leg ..		11.80	11.10	11.30	13.14	12.86	12.86	11.71	11.43	11.14	14.00	13.67	13.33	10.75	10.33	10.50	
" Neck ..		8.60	7.80	7.95	10.71	10.29	10.14	9.00	8.86	8.57	11.00	11.00	10.33	9.75	9.67	9.50	
Pork, Leg ..		16.60	16.10	16.80	16.14	16.29	16.29	14.57	14.57	14.57	14.67	14.67	14.67	14.75	14.75	14.75	
" Loin ..		16.60	16.00	16.30	15.86	16.00	16.00	14.43	14.43	14.43	14.67	14.67	14.67	14.75	14.75	14.75	
" Belly ..		14.30	13.70	13.70	14.14	14.00	14.29	13.14	12.86	13.14	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.25	13.25	13.00	
" Chops ..	"	16.80	16.30	16.50	16.14	16.14	16.29	14.71	14.43	14.71	14.67	14.67	14.67	14.75	14.75	14.75	
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		248.59			144.16			239.67			183.63			261.32		

THE DOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF TASMANIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENTS OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.			
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Groceries, &c.—					d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Bread	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	
Flour	25 lb.	56.10	55.15	53.45	53.14	52.29	49.86	52.20	51.60	51.00	53.40	53.40	52.80	57.60	57.60	57.00	
Tea	lb.	26.50	26.50	26.50	24.71	24.71	24.71	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.40	27.75	28.60	29.00	29.00	29.20	
Coffee	"	23.80	23.80	23.80	24.71	24.71	24.71	25.40	25.40	25.40	26.00	25.50	26.40	27.40	27.60	27.60	
Sugar	"	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.55	4.55	4.60	
Rice	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.00	4.00	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.10	
Sago	"	3.85	3.85	3.80	3.29	3.29	3.29	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.60	3.38	3.80	4.60	4.60	4.60	
Jam	"	7.03	6.83	6.77	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.73	7.73	7.73	7.33	7.33	7.47	8.60	8.53	8.53	
Oatmeal	"	4.25	4.20	4.25	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.69	4.66	4.63	4.33	4.33	4.36	5.07	4.91	4.91	
Raisins	"	9.90	10.10	10.10	8.64	8.64	8.64	9.60	9.60	9.40	10.30	10.25	10.60	12.20	12.20	12.20	
Currants	"	9.75	9.85	9.85	9.21	9.21	9.21	9.50	9.50	9.40	9.00	9.13	8.90	10.20	10.20	10.20	
Starch	"	10.35	10.25	10.25	10.29	10.29	10.36	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.80	10.80	11.00	11.80	11.80	11.80	
Blue	doz. sq.	11.45	11.45	11.45	11.14	11.14	11.14	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.90	13.90	13.90	
Candles	lb.	10.20	9.90	9.90	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.40	11.00	11.20	11.00	10.75	11.00	12.80	12.80	13.00	
Soap	"	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.29	5.21	5.21	5.60	5.60	5.47	6.87	6.87	6.87	6.10	6.20	6.10	
Potatoes	14 lb.	13.56	15.44	18.00	11.50	12.33	14.60	13.20	14.60	25.00	12.00	12.75	17.40	17.50	19.13	28.20	
Onions	lb.	3.17	3.11	3.00	3.20	3.17	3.20	2.80	2.80	2.70	2.30	3.60	3.63	3.70	3.80	3.30	
Kerosene	gal.	25.36	25.36	25.96	24.36	24.36	24.36	24.90	24.90	24.90	27.00	27.00	26.80	34.70	34.70	34.70	
Dairy Produce—																	
Milk	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	6.33	7.75	7.75	7.75	
Butter	lb.	22.90	22.80	23.10	21.57	21.29	22.71	20.00	19.20	21.00	17.80	17.50	16.40	22.20	22.00	23.00	
Cheese	"	14.30	14.30	14.10	13.14	12.86	13.07	16.40	16.40	15.60	15.00	15.00	14.60	16.20	16.20	16.20	
Eggs	doz.	12.00	13.40	13.70	11.86	12.86	12.29	12.20	12.60	13.20	11.00	11.25	11.20	18.40	18.80	19.80	
Bacon, Middle	lb.	17.56	17.78	17.89	18.29	18.57	18.57	17.40	17.40	17.80	17.60	17.25	17.60	18.20	18.40	18.80	
Shoulder	"	9.78	9.89	10.33	10.79	11.21	10.93	13.80	13.60	14.20	13.00	13.00	13.40	12.40	12.80	12.80	
Ham	"	20.00	20.00	21.00	20.40	21.20	21.50	18.40	19.40	20.60	18.00	17.75	18.40	19.60	20.00	19.20	
Meat—																	
Beef, Sirloin	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.86	9.71	9.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.33	10.33	10.33	11.67	11.67	11.67	
Ribs	"	8.56	8.75	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.71	9.40	9.40	9.25	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.33	9.33	9.33	
Flank	"	6.80	7.00	7.00	6.83	6.75	6.75	6.80	6.80	5.33	5.67	5.67	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	
Shin	"	5.50	5.57	5.38	5.21	5.43	5.29	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.00	6.33	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	
Steak, Rump	"	15.11	15.00	14.71	13.14	13.14	13.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.67	13.67	13.67	
Shoulder	"	8.00	7.75	7.78	8.71	8.43	8.29	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.33	9.33	9.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	
Stewing	"	7.67	7.75	8.00	7.86	7.57	7.43	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.33	8.67	8.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	
Beef, Corned																	
Roll	"	9.44	9.63	9.56	9.07	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.67	9.67	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33	
Brisket,	"	4.89	5.06	5.07	5.21	5.29	5.29	7.20	7.20	7.20	6.67	6.67	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	
with bone	"																
without bone	"																
Mutton, Leg	"	7.88	8.29	8.13	7.71	7.64	7.64	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.33	8.33	8.33	10.67	10.67	10.67	
Shoulder	"	8.00	7.88	8.00	9.14	9.00	8.71	11.80	11.60	11.60	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	
Loin	"	6.00	6.08	6.29	7.00	6.86	6.86	9.60	9.60	9.60	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	
Neck	"	7.50	7.38	7.33	8.86	8.86	8.57	11.40	11.20	11.20	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.00	10.00	10.00	
Chops, Loin	"	5.89	5.88	5.86	6.00	5.86	5.86	9.20	9.20	9.20	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.67	8.67	8.67	
Leg	"	10.56	10.75	10.57	11.71	11.57	11.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.00	11.00	11.00	
Neck	"	10.44	10.75	10.57	10.43	10.43	10.43	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	10.33	10.33	10.33	
Pork, Leg	"	12.33	12.50	12.44	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	13.67	13.67	13.00	
Loin	"	12.78	13.13	12.43	12.43	12.57	12.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	13.67	13.67	13.00	
Belly	"	12.00	12.13	12.29	11.71	12.00	11.29	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	12.67	12.67	12.67	
Chops	"	13.56	13.88	13.89	12.71	12.86	12.43	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	13.67	13.67	13.00		
House Rents	4 and 5 rooms		249.49			217.69			205.51			181.18			121.80		

RETAIL PRICES.

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1861 TO DECEMBER, 1928.
COMPUTED TO YEAR 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Jute, Leather, &c.	III. Agricul- tural Pro- duce, &c.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Build- ing Ma- terials.	VIII. Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861 ..	1,438	1,881	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901 ..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1921 ..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922 ..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923 ..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924 ..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925 ..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926 ..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927 ..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,824	1,866	1,817
1928 ..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
January	1,823	2,657	1,733	1,794	1,707	2,366	1,981	1,894	1,984
February	1,833	2,606	1,653	1,753	1,718	2,443	1,942	1,826	1,957
March	1,833	2,497	1,592	1,628	1,721	2,339	1,943	1,826	1,899
April	1,832	2,529	1,580	1,593	1,700	2,351	1,801	1,808	1,893
May	1,833	2,491	1,609	1,682	1,714	2,145	1,884	1,803	1,884
June	1,830	2,324	1,619	1,673	1,729	2,199	1,851	1,803	1,863
July	1,834	2,308	1,629	1,721	1,731	2,077	1,825	1,788	1,855
August	1,835	2,282	1,638	1,673	1,719	1,937	1,762	1,784	1,843
September	1,838	2,250	1,644	1,667	1,720	2,178	1,705	1,784	1,846
October	1,839	2,332	1,669	1,619	1,726	2,157	1,689	1,784	1,861
November	1,841	2,347	1,659	1,535	1,729	2,221	1,674	1,734	1,859
December	1,845	2,391	1,686	1,519	1,745	2,258	1,627	1,784	1,878
January	1,848	2,303	1,700	1,450	1,751	2,258	1,666	1,784	1,863
February	1,838	2,271	1,671	1,475	1,743	2,307	1,663	1,784	1,854
March	1,839	2,158	1,665	1,571	1,731	2,151	1,698	1,784	1,826
April	1,834	2,072	1,657	1,622	1,708	2,129	1,696	1,771	1,807
May	1,829	1,963	1,697	1,731	1,718	2,164	1,710	1,771	1,815
June	1,826	2,000	1,699	1,708	1,710	2,449	1,833	1,759	1,854
July	1,831	1,900	1,755	1,689	1,721	2,419	1,758	1,759	1,846
August	1,836	1,884	1,764	1,687	1,722	2,463	1,705	1,759	1,848
September	1,830	1,810	1,823	1,705	1,718	2,322	1,718	1,759	1,845
October	1,871	1,772	1,975	1,728	1,707	2,114	1,698	1,881	1,860
November	1,876	1,769	2,118	1,683	1,723	1,906	1,710	1,881	1,878
December	1,907	1,695	2,034	1,586	1,723	1,862	1,673	1,784	1,830
January	1,908	1,743	1,999	1,693	1,725	1,879	1,663	1,784	1,840
February	1,910	1,711	1,978	1,782	1,735	1,774	1,634	1,784	1,826
March	1,907	1,661	2,001	1,862	1,731	2,025	1,622	1,784	1,856
April	1,909	1,649	1,998	2,000	1,732	2,481	1,617	1,776	1,912
May	2,035	1,642	1,965	1,968	1,732	2,365	1,611	1,776	1,904
June	1,908	1,598	1,971	1,927	1,727	2,201	1,638	1,828	1,861
July	1,917	1,586	1,988	1,822	1,739	2,023	1,705	1,843	1,843
August	1,930	1,622	2,039	1,747	1,728	1,914	1,761	1,843	1,848
September	1,943	1,574	2,017	1,687	1,743	1,879	1,691	1,843	1,805
October	1,932	1,424	2,004	1,627	1,728	1,599	1,692	1,843	1,758
November	1,966	1,391	2,040	1,605	1,731	1,640	1,670	1,843	1,768
December	1,993	1,386	2,017	1,690	1,715	1,591	1,670	1,843	1,765
January	1,994	1,447	1,898	1,732	1,714	1,735	1,659	1,843	1,760
February	1,982	1,507	1,821	1,746	1,704	1,698	1,613	1,843	1,741
March	1,977	1,542	1,667	1,748	1,696	1,775	1,618	1,860	1,710
April	1,978	1,587	1,652	1,806	1,711	1,753	1,643	1,840	1,720
May	1,960	1,580	1,674	1,872	1,724	1,823	1,645	1,840	1,738
June	1,956	1,547	1,728	1,927	1,722	2,013	1,660	1,840	1,772
July	1,970	1,637	1,789	1,931	1,730	2,253	1,663	1,872	1,833
August	1,956	1,684	1,857	1,893	1,739	2,472	1,674	1,872	1,879
September	1,958	1,833	1,930	1,883	1,729	2,655	1,578	1,872	1,936
October	1,943	1,782	2,086	1,887	1,782	2,730	1,562	1,904	1,972
November	1,943	1,832	1,928	1,766	1,745	2,348	1,548	1,904	1,892
December	1,930	1,821	1,879	1,738	1,743	2,077	1,619	1,904	1,848
January	1,928	1,836	1,860	1,721	1,728	2,211	1,709	1,904	1,860
February	1,922	1,849	1,774	1,683	1,710	2,197	1,718	1,945	1,829
March	1,917	1,912	1,710	1,651	1,715	2,289	1,739	1,945	1,830
April	1,919	1,916	1,738	1,761	1,709	2,246	1,745	1,929	1,844
May	1,916	1,844	1,743	1,818	1,715	1,970	1,732	1,934	1,810
June	1,916	1,796	1,746	1,796	1,706	2,041	1,742	1,934	1,807
July	1,914	1,803	1,728	1,777	1,707	1,973	1,746	1,909	1,795
August	1,914	1,685	1,682	1,745	1,700	2,102	1,756	1,909	1,751
September	1,914	1,659	1,678	1,769	1,701	1,881	1,762	1,909	1,746
October	1,910	1,651	1,684	1,751	1,693	1,822	1,763	1,909	1,737
November	1,889	1,676	1,657	1,755	1,704	1,847	1,755	1,909	1,735
December	1,889	1,742	1,717	1,791	1,695	1,797	1,762	1,942	1,760

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA, 1871 to 1928.

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1928.
Population ..	Males 928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,798,727 (e)	3,189,823
	Females 771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,710,346 (e)	3,045,031
	Total 1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,509,073 (e)	6,234,854
Births ..	No. 63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198 (e)	133,698
Deaths ..	Rate 38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95 (e)	21.67
	No. 22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076 (e)	58,282
	Rate 13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.01 (e)	9.45
Marriages ..	No. 11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869 (e)	49,033
	Rate 6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59 (e)	7.95
Agriculture—							
Wheat ..	Area, acs. 1,279,778	3,002,064	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	12,249,052
	Yld., bshl. 11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	116,743,666
	Av., " 9.31	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	9.53
Oats ..	Area, acs. 225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	1,116,092
	Yld., bshl. 4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	12,525,544
	Av., " 18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	11.22
Barley ..	Area, acs. 48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	322,344
	Yld., bshl. 726,158	1,853,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	4,994,392
	Av., " 15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	15.49
Maize ..	Area, acs. 142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186 (e)	286,178
	Yld., bshl. 4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438 (e)	6,970,273
	Av., " 32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69 (e)	24.36
Hay ..	Area, acs. 303,274	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	2,623,261
	Yld., tons 375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	3,902,180	2,719,886
	Av., " 1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.04
Potatoes (a) ..	Area, acs. 67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	163,538
	Yld., tons 212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	475,817
	Av., " 3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.91
Sugar Cane (d) ..	Area, acs. 11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,356	213,000
	Yld., tons 176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	3,810,000
	Av., " 15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.89
Vineyards ..	Area, acs. 16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,653
	Wine, gal. 2,104,000	1,488,000	3,435,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	8,542,573	16,008,158
Total value all agricultural production .. £	8,941,000	15,519,000	16,988,000	23,835,000	38,774,000	81,890,000 (e)	98,294,503
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—							
Live Stock ..	Sheep No. 40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068 (e)	99,020,232
	Cattle 4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,441,309 (f)	11,963,278
	Horses .. 701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182 (f)	2,122,516
Wool prod. ..	Pigs 586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960,385 (f)	989,009
	lb. greasy 179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,285	721,678,346	883,303,604
	c 179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,285	721,678,346	883,303,604
Butter production lbs.	c 42,314,555	103,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	280,408,497		
Cheese production ..	c 10,130,945	11,845,153	15,886,712	32,653,003 (e)	26,679,197		
Bacon and ham ..	c 16,771,886	34,020,629	53,335,092	58,626,469 (e)	73,634,888		
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairy ing production .. £	20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	72,883,000	119,399,000 (e)	158,148,000
Mineral production—							
Gold ..	£ 7,916,627	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,017,538	10,551,624	4,018,685	1,938,476
	Silver and lead £ 36,046	45,622	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,992 (e)	3,773,756
	Copper £ 830,242	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957 (e)	607,038
Tin ..	£ 24,020	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418 (e)	842,430
	Zinc £ 369	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455 (e)	1,178,119
	Coal (black) £ 330,510	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	10,983,757 (e)	12,089,766
Total value of all mineral production .. £	9,190,330	7,820,290	12,074,100	21,816,772	23,302,878	19,977,384 (e)	23,094,648
Forestry production—							
Quantity of local timber sawn on hewn—	1,000 sup. ft.	c	c	452,131	604,794	590,495 (e)	613,131
Manufactories—							
No. of factories ..					14,455	18,023 (e)	21,579
	Hands employed No.	b	b	b	311,710	395,425 (e)	467,247
	Wages paid £				27,528,377	68,050,861 (e)	90,575,166
Value added by manu facture .. £					51,259,004	121,674,119 (e)	162,325,273
	Total value of output £				183,022,690	320,331,765 (e)	408,692,888

(a) Partly estimated 1871 and 1881.
 effective comparison is impossible.
 (e) 1927 figures. (f) 1926 figures.

(b) Owing to variation in classification and lack of information
 (c) Information not available.

(d) Area of productive cane.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA, 1871 TO 1928—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1928.
Shipping—							
Overseas vessels { No. ent. & cleared { ton.	2,748	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,674	3,167
	1,812,642	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,503,018	10,925,298
Commerce (c)—							
Imports oversea £	17,017,000	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,433,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	147,944,970
" per head £	10/3/3	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	23/14/7
Exports oversea £	21,725,000	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	143,213,070
" per head £	12/19/6	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	22/19/5
Total oversea trade £	38,742,000	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	140,449,746	230,912,971	291,158,040
" per head £	23/2/9	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	46/14/0
Customs and excise duties £ (e)		4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,580	13,515,005	27,565,199	41,371,395
		2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	6/12/9
Principal Oversea Exports (a)—							
Wool { lb. (greasy)	176,635,800	328,369,200	619,259,800	518,018,100	720,364,900	927,833,700	796,546,006
" " £	9,459,629	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	30,071,198	47,977,044	66,095,901
Wheat { cental	479,954	8,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,055	33,088,704	59,968,334	31,825,414
" " £	193,732	1,189,782	1,938,864	2,774,643	9,641,608	28,644,155	14,629,899
Flour { tons	12,988	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	433,795
" " £	170,415	519,635	328,423	589,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	5,229,483
Butter { lb.	1,812,700	1,298,800	4,239,500	34,607,400	101,722,100	127,347,400	99,164,946
" " £	45,813	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,362	7,968,078	6,905,933
Skins and hides £	100,128	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	3,136,810	9,896,827
Tallow .. £	914,278	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,836	1,441,795	1,080,308
Meats .. £	566,780	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	4,811,522
Timber (undressed) £	42,586	118,117	88,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	1,164,801
Gold .. £	7,184,833	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,483,239	2,809,249
Silver and lead £	37,891	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,212,584	2,697,130	11,255,511
Copper .. £	598,538	676,515	417,687	1,819,145	2,345,961	705,358	265,708
Coal .. £	134,355	361,081	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,099,899	555,617
Govt. Railways—							
Lghth. of line open, mls. 970		3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,296	25,804
Capital cost £	19,269,786	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	237,479,693	311,131,906
Gross revenue £	1,102,650	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	35,936,900	48,186,022
Working expenses £	608,332	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,969,954	38,358,104
Per cent. of work'g exp. on earnings %	55.17	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	83.39	79.60
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with { No.	24,382,000	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	569,343,456	(d) 796,145,400
" per head "	14.54	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	104.36	(d) 130.29
Newspapers dealt with { No.	3,336,000	38,063,000	85,280,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	130,882,425	(d) 188,715,200
" per head "	7.95	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	24.18	(d) 30.88
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £	2,456,487	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,406,175	b876,428	211,187	200,326
Coin & bullion held £	6,168,869	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,737,572	30,024,225	22,092,371	26,603,041
Advances .. £	26,039,573	57,732,824	129,741,583	89,167,499	116,769,133	233,214,626	257,375,409
Deposits .. £	21,856,959	53,849,455	98,845,338	90,965,530	147,103,081	273,866,737	359,554,122
Savings Banks—							
Number of accounts open ..	100,713	250,070	614,741	964,553	1,600,112	3,327,456	4,685,888
Total deposits £	3,193,285	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	215,188,000
Aver. per account £	31/14/2	31/8/2	25/5/6	32/0/4	37/2/4	46/8/0	45/18/5
" " head of population £	1/18/9	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	34/4/10
State Schools—							
Number of Schools ..	2,502	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	(d) 10,203
Teachers .. No.	4,641	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	(d) 29,633
Enrolment ..	236,710	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	(d) 883,925
Aver. attendance ..	137,767	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	(d) 730,571

(a) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (b) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue.
 (c) Figures for Commerce for year 1921 relate to year ended 30th June following. (d) 1928 figures.

(e) Not available.